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- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Good afternoon. And welcome
- 3 to the August 12th meeting of the Special Waste and Market
- 4 Development Committee meeting.
- 5 Anybody that's got cell phones, if you could turn
- 6 them off or put them on vibrate, so we don't get the
- 7 meeting disrupted, we would appreciate it.
- 8 And then anybody that intends to speak, there are
- 9 speaker slips in the back of the room that you can fill
- 10 out and bring up to Ms. Bakulich, and she will get them to
- 11 us so you can speak.
- 12 Would you call the roll, please.
- 13 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Eaton?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Here.
- 15 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Paparian?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
- 17 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Roberti?
- Jones?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Here.
- 20 Senator Roberti will join us in a little bit.
- 21 He's going to be ending his tenure here at the Board, and
- 22 has to take care of some administrative issues today. But
- 23 he will be joining us here pretty shortly.
- 24 All right. Any ex partes?
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Up to date. Thank you.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Paparian?
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- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm up to date.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON JONES: As am I.
- 4 Now, I'm going to -- What are we doing first?
- 5 Are we doing Waste Prevention and Market Development?
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Right.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Patty Wohl, your
- 8 report, please.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Okay. Patty Wohl, Deputy
- 10 from the Waste Prevention and Market Development Division.
- 12 going to skip the Deputy Director's report and move right
- 13 into Agenda Item B, which is Item 11 in your Board book.
- 14 This is consideration of allocation and a revised
- 15 scope of work for the Sustainable Building Technical
- 16 Assistance Service Contract for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.
- 17 And just as a reminder, this is the same scope of work
- 18 with just a minor modification that Kathy's going to talk
- 19 a little bit about. We had a problem, an anomaly with the
- 20 scoring, and we had to cancel the contract last fiscal
- 21 year. And we are bringing it forward to you in August,
- 22 ahead of the rest of the allocation items so we can get
- 23 back on track and get it moving again.
- 24 So with that introduction, I'd like to introduce
- 25 Kathy Frevert.

1 SENIOR INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST

- 2 FREVERT: Hi. I'm Kathy Frevert, a Senior Integrated
- 3 Waste Management Specialist in Waste Prevention and Market
- 4 Development.
- 5 Good afternoon, Chairman Jones and Committee
- 6 Members.
- 7 This agenda item has two main parts, one being
- 8 the allocation, which Patty touched on, and the other part
- 9 being the scope of work. And that's what I'm going to
- 10 focus on right now.
- 11 We have a revised scope of work, which is
- 12 Attachment 1. And it is essentially the same scope of
- 13 work that was approved by the Board in January 2002,
- 14 except it has some additional language on the tire-derived
- 15 products and a few minor edits.
- 16 As compared to the previously approved scope of
- 17 work, the current revised scope of work has additional
- 18 text concerning the research and product development of
- 19 tire-derived building products.
- 20 Why did we make this revision? It became
- 21 apparent that many bidders were focused on the collection
- 22 of tires for recycling rather than the market development
- 23 activities of incorporating the tire-derived products into
- 24 construction projects. For this reason we added language
- 25 to make it clear our need is for product development

1 related activities, that is, closing the loop and getting

- 2 the recycled content products in projects.
- 3 Some of these product development activities may
- 4 include the development of specifications or tweaking
- 5 existing specifications, and testing to make sure they are
- 6 appropriate.
- 7 Additionally, staff added a task to identify
- 8 potential tire-derived applications in construction
- 9 projects and to develop a list of projects that could
- 10 utilize the tire-derived products. This will support the
- 11 Board's sustainable building contracts for local and State
- 12 governments.
- 13 So in conclusion, we have to rebid this contract.
- 14 It provides an opportunity to make a few improvements and
- 15 enhance the tire-derived aspects of the scope of work.
- And we will gladly address any questions you may
- 17 have.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Questions from the members?
- Mr. Paparian.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll move Resolution
- 21 2002-461.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Second.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We've got a motion by Mr.
- 24 Paparian, a second by Mr. Eaton.
- Would you call the roll.

- 1 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Eaton?
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Paparian?
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Jones?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Aye.
- 7 Put this on the consent calendar?
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Or it's fiscal, so it will be
- 10 on the fiscal consensus as a 3-0.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Okay. And then the next
- 13 two agenda items are loans. And just as an intro, for
- 14 Fiscal Year 2002-3 the RMDZ loan program has a budget of
- 15 \$10 million, of which we have -- the Board has already
- 16 approved \$2,950,000.
- 17 Today the Board will be considering two loans
- 18 totaling \$305,000. If these loans are passed, then there
- 19 will remain approximately \$6.7 million in the subaccount
- 20 for new applications.
- 21 Agenda Item C is consideration of the Recycling
- 22 Market Development Revolving Loan program application for
- 23 work training center for the Handicapped, Inc.
- 24 And Jim La Tanner will present this item and the
- 25 next agenda item.

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1 MR. LA TANNER: Good morning, Board Members.
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- 2 Agenda item C, the Work Training Center for the
- 3 Handicapped, a nonprofit organization, is requesting an
- 4 RMDZ loan of \$34,000 to purchase equipment for the new
- 5 manufacturing plant. The project is located in Oroville,
- 6 California, within the Oroville RMDZ.
- 7 The company currently has a 10,000 square foot
- 8 wood workshop facility that manufactures various wood
- 9 products such as shipping containers, pallets, and custom
- 10 boxes.
- 11 The loan request -- the Center's requested this
- 12 loan to finance the purchase of a wood shredder. And the
- 13 project will also include installation of electrical and
- 14 some working capital.
- The primary feedstock is from the current
- 16 operations of one of their facilities called the Feather
- 17 River Industries, which is manufacturing. They're going
- 18 to take the excess wood and chip and grind it to make wood
- 19 waste. And the end users consists of a long list,
- 20 including California Department of Transportation, Pacific
- 21 Oroville Power, Inc., landscapers, et cetera.
- As a result of this loan, there will be 100
- 23 additional tons per year diverted from California
- 24 landfills, with an addition of 6 to 10 jobs.
- 25 The Loan Committee met on August 8th and approved

- 1 the loan as presented without any question.
- 2 Staff recommends approval of resolution 2002-460
- 3 in the amount of \$34,000.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks, Mr. La Tanner.
- 5 Any questions, Members?
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: No. I'll move that we
- 7 adopt Resolution 2002-460, approval of the loan for the
- 8 work training center for the Handicapped, Inc.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I've got a motion by Mr.
- 11 Eaton, a second by Mr. Paparian.
- 12 Substitute the previous roll?
- No objection?
- 14 Put it on fiscal consent at 3-0.
- Thank you.
- Mr. La Tanner.
- 17 MR. LA TANNER: Agenda Item D presents an RMDZ
- 18 loan application for Ability Counts, Inc., in the amount
- 19 of \$271,000 to finance the purchase of polymer grinding
- 20 equipment and working capital for the recycling of plastic
- 21 garment hangers. The project is located in Riverside,
- 22 which is in the Agua Mansa RMDZ.
- 23 The current focus of the program is reuse.
- 24 Plastic garment hangers of 66 -- 56 different varieties
- 25 are delivered to the facility from various sources. The

1 good hangers are then sent back to the stores for a second

- 2 time. The broken and reusable hangers are discarded to
- 3 California landfills and some were baled and shipped
- 4 overseas. The loan will finance the purchase of equipment
- 5 and working capital.
- 6 The end users, they're going to grind down the
- 7 plastic. A major customer in southern California has
- 8 issued a letter of interest to purchase up to 400 tons of
- 9 K resin from the company. This will result in additional
- 10 diversion from the landfills of 400 tons per year.
- 11 Loan Committee met on August 8th and approved the
- 12 loan as presented without question.
- This is another nonprofit organization.
- 14 Staff recommends the Board adopt Resolution
- 15 2002-459 in the amount of \$271,000.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you, Mr. La Tanner.
- 17 Any questions from the Board?
- 18 Can I hear a motion?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Chair, I'll move
- 20 Resolution 2002-459.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Second.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We've got a motion by Mr.
- 23 Paparian, a second by Mr. Eaton.
- 24 Substitute the previous roll?
- 25 And on fiscal consent?

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1 Thank you.
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- 2 For the members of the audience, because today
- 3 is -- we've got a presentation from the Milken Group on
- 4 our leveraging as well as, when we hit the tire section,
- 5 we've got representatives from the tire manufacturers
- 6 joining us. We extend an invitation to all our Board
- 7 members to be present. And Mr. Medina has joined us today
- 8 as part of -- you know, to be part of that. So I just
- 9 wanted people to understand.
- 10 The Chair, Linda Moulton-Patterson, is tied up
- 11 in -- she's had some previous engagements she had to
- 12 fulfill and may not be able to make it. But I just wanted
- 13 you to understand why we may not look to Mr. Medina for a
- 14 vote, but we do appreciate that he is here to hear the
- 15 information.
- 16 Thank you.
- Ms. Wohl.
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Okay. With that, I'll
- 19 move on to agenda item, E which is Agenda Item 14 in your
- 20 Board book. Discussion of the Recycling Market
- 21 Development Revolving Loan Program Leveraging Options
- 22 Report, prepared for the Board by the Milken Institute.
- 23 And we will have a brief presentation by staff,
- 24 and then we'll turn it over to the Milken Institute.
- 25 So with that I'd like to introduce Jim La Tanner

- 1 again.
- 2 MR. LA TANNER: Agenda Item 14 for the Board,
- 3 Committee Item E, started back in September 2000 when
- 4 staff was preparing the annual project eligibility update
- 5 to present to the Board. In that agenda item we added a
- 6 projection of the subaccount projecting out toward the
- 7 sunset date how much funds would be available for our
- 8 loans in the future years. What the projection showed was
- 9 that the amount of funds for new loans was going to be
- 10 declining significantly toward the sunset date.
- 11 In an effort to continue the loan program, staff
- 12 started working on leveraging options and formed a working
- 13 group with some of the zone administrators and Board
- 14 staff, which led to us looking for outside resources to
- 15 help identify leveraging opportunities.
- 16 Included in this agenda item, Attachment E, is
- 17 loan staff's current 10-year history and projection of the
- 18 subaccount.
- 19 This current fiscal year we're projected to make
- 20 \$10 million in loans. And we have projected out to the
- 21 sunset date how much would be available for future loans,
- 22 which confirms that there is still a decline.
- 23 There have been several Board items relating to
- 24 this that have led to us contracting out to hire a
- 25 consulting group to identify leveraging opportunities that

- 1 the Board staff was not able to do so.
- 2 Here today to speak on this we have Victor
- 3 Hoskins from UrbanAmerica that is on contract through the
- 4 RMDZ program and is familiar with the loan program, along
- 5 with the outside contractor, Milken Institute.
- 6 What I'd like to do is first have Victor Hoskins
- 7 come up and do the PowerPoint presentation, then move into
- 8 our presentation from the Milken Institute, and then open
- 9 it up for questions, knowing that this needs to end at
- 10 3:00 o'clock.
- 11 Are there any questions at this point?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Any questions of the members.
- 13 Victor Hoskins, I want to personally thank you
- 14 for being involved in this project. You've conducted a
- 15 lot of RMDZ trainings on behalf of this board; and we felt
- 16 it was important that you were part of this because with
- 17 the expertise of our staff and the expertise of our
- 18 consultants, we could make heads or tails of what's going
- 19 on. So thanks.
- 20 MR. HOSKINS: Thank you very much, Board Member
- 21 Jones.
- Is it possible to get the PowerPoint turned on?
- There we go. Excellent, excellent.
- 24 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 25 presented as follows.)

1 MR. HOSKINS: Good afternoon everyone. I have to

- 2 tell you that I feel honored to be here today. I've been
- 3 involved with the Recycling Market Development Zone
- 4 Program for over a decade now. I was actually in Long
- 5 Beach, California, back in the early nineties, and I
- 6 helped that group -- actually Department of Public Works
- 7 at that time, working with my group in economic
- 8 development, to compete for a zone, and we successfully
- 9 got a zone.
- 10 And part of the reason I was so interested in the
- 11 program has to do with my own personal philosophy. For
- 12 those of you who know me personally, you know that I had a
- 13 Volvo. You could have driven around the world 12 times.
- 14 I had more miles on that car, and my wife wanted me to get
- 15 rid of it so much. But I'm a recycler and I believe in
- 16 keeping things that are of value until all the useful life
- 17 is gone. And I really do appreciate the opportunity to be
- 18 with the group.
- --o0o--
- 20 MR. HOSKINS: What we're going to do today is
- 21 just briefly talk about leveraging. I'm going to give you
- 22 some quick definitions, talk about the goal of what we're
- 23 trying to achieve here, some of the $\operatorname{--}$ really what the
- 24 problem is, and a potential solution.
- 25 ---00--

1 MR. HOSKINS: These definitions here came from a

- 2 variety of sources. But really the last definition is the
- 3 key one. What is going on and what really has happened
- 4 really in the last 20 years is that public agencies have
- 5 been working very hard at taking their resources and
- 6 expanding their ability to use those resources. And that
- 7 is by partnering with nonprofits, partnering with full
- 8 profits in some cases, to get them to do things that
- 9 really meet the goals of the public entity.
- 10 In this case, with the California Integrated
- 11 Waste Management, this is a recycling program.
- 12 In other cases it involves transit authorities.
- 13 Down in Los Angeles part of that transit property was
- 14 financed through a local match. That local match
- 15 leveraged State match. That State match and local match
- 16 leveraged a federal match. The bottom line is that all of
- 17 that together achieved the goal, a variety of sources.
- 18 Redevelopment agencies, economic development
- 19 agencies, leveraging is a key factor in most of their
- 20 measures. They're looking at creating new jobs,
- 21 attracting businesses, but also leveraging their
- 22 resources, getting the most for their money. When they
- 23 put a dollar in, how many private dollars come in? When
- 24 they put a dollar in, how many foundations' dollars come
- 25 in to achieve their goal.

1 And essentially what you have done here is you

- 2 are basically taking this concept and moving it a level
- 3 up. I mean the Recycling Market Development Zone Program
- 4 is very different from any program that I've seen around
- 5 the country for recycling. And it is an innovation. What
- 6 you're doing now is you're taking that innovation and
- 7 you're going to make some demands of it that aren't
- 8 common. And I think that's the important thing to
- 9 realize, is that this is not common, this is not easy.
- 10 The challenge that you put on yourself is a big challenge.
- 11 Self-sufficiency, sustainability is what many
- 12 organizations around the country are trying to do today.
- 13 I remember I was -- before going into the private sector
- 14 as a real estate investment officer in a company that I'm
- 15 in now, I worked for the City of Baltimore. I was Deputy
- 16 Commissioner of Housing Community Development. And one of
- 17 the key things that we wanted to do is we wanted to take
- 18 our economic development agency and put some demands on
- 19 it. The demand was, "You have to pay for yourself. You
- 20 have to pay for yourself." Well, it sounded good when we
- 21 said it, but it was almost impossible to do. And, by the
- 22 way, it hasn't been done to date. It is hard to do. It's
- 23 not an easy -- even if there's a cash flow there.
- 24 It's difficult for private businesses to make a
- 25 profit. It's difficult for private businesses to pay for

1 themselves. I don't have to go into the number of private

- 2 businesses that aren't paying for themselves, that don't
- 3 even exist right now that were, you know, at the top of
- 4 the heap just, you know, 12, 24 months ago. The bottom
- 5 line is what you're asking of yourself is not an easy
- 6 thing to do. And I think that's important to realize.
- 7 There are three concepts that are tied into this:
- 8 Your public return on investment; new jobs, new tax
- 9 revenues, diverting wastestream from the waste dumps. You
- 10 also are looking at return on your equity. Every dollar
- 11 that you have is your equity. You know, just like when
- 12 you put a down payment on a house, you know, you want to
- 13 make sure your equity grows. And that's what you want to
- 14 do with your money or you want to make sure it grows.
- 15 But, more importantly, return on investment. Your equity,
- 16 combined with someone else's money, creating an income
- 17 stream from your organization.
- That really is what you're looking at overall,
- 19 your return on investment.
- 20 ---00--
- 21 MR. HOSKINS: Long story short. You have a \$3.5
- 22 million cash flow and you want to make it a \$10 million
- 23 cash flow in perpetuity, because you want to fund
- 24 businesses going into the future. As I said, this program
- 25 was an innovation -- just the fact that it exists is a

1 huge innovation. And this next thing that you're adding

- 2 on to it, it is going to be a challenge. And it is a
- 3 complex challenge. And you will -- it will be evident in
- 4 the presentation.
- 5 --000--
- 6 MR. HOSKINS: The initial mission here was to
- 7 develop four leveraging options. This group started with
- 8 ten and pared it down to four working with staff. And
- 9 they'll go into those in detail.
- 10 --00o--
- 11 MR. HOSKINS: But the bottom line is creating a
- 12 sustainable financing program, leveraging existing and
- 13 anticipated resources, and blending these, which are RMDZ
- 14 funds, is what you're trying to achieve.
- 15 --00o--
- MR. HOSKINS: And these are the ways that have
- 17 generally been selected to focus on. These are the
- 18 strategies. They'll be gone into more detail.
- 19 But the first one, new market tax credit. That
- 20 is the most recent program of the government for economic
- 21 stimulation coming out of the Treasury Department. I
- 22 recently worked with a development organization that
- 23 relates to my organization to become a community
- 24 development entity. And we as private companies are
- 25 actually pursuing the new market tax credit program. So

1 it is not an easy thing to do, and is something quite

- 2 innovative.
- 3 Equity equivalents. Looking at foundations,
- 4 looking at nonprofits with the same mission, coming in and
- 5 matching what you do. Loan guarantees, basically reducing
- 6 the risk of an existing loan, reducing the risk of loan
- 7 types and categories.
- 8 And the last is the loan sale, which you've
- 9 already participated in.
- 10 --000--
- 11 MR. HOSKINS: And with that I am going to turn it
- 12 over to Bill. And I'll be available for questions at the
- 13 end.
- 14 MR. SCHMIDT: Hi. I'm Bill Schmidt and I work
- 15 for the Milken Institute. And I'm joined here with Betsy
- 16 Zeidman and Paul Pryde from the Capital Access Group.
- 17 I'm going to go through a brief overview of kind
- 18 of what our goals were in the study. And then I'm going
- 19 to turn it over to Betsy and Paul to get into more
- 20 specifics.
- 21 --000--
- 22 MR. SCHMIDT: We're going to go through what the
- 23 goal was -- I think Victor already mentioned that -- the
- 24 methodology of how we conducted the study, some of the
- 25 market research that went into actually developing the

1 options, and then get into more details with the

- 2 leveraging strategies.
- 3 --000--
- 4 MR. SCHMIDT: I think Victor already mentioned
- 5 the goal. We want to take this \$3.5 million and turn it
- 6 into \$10 million, basically in a sustainable way
- 7 throughout the rest of the program.
- 8 --000--
- 9 MR. SCHMIDT: The way we conducted this study was
- 10 we did research and looked into the industry and the
- 11 recycling and reuse market. Then we looked at the actual
- 12 pool of loans that was made. And we looked at some of
- 13 those characteristics, what level of growth the companies
- 14 were in, what interest rates were being charged, and
- 15 things like that.
- 16 And we also conducted interviews with past loan
- 17 recipients and current zone administrators to get sort of
- 18 their take on how we could develop this program better.
- 19 --00--
- 20 MR. SCHMIDT: Now, I'm going to go through some
- 21 of the key findings from our research.
- --00--
- 23 MR. SCHMIDT: The recycling market in California
- 24 is a \$14 billion industry. And of that, if companies are
- 25 actually located in RMDZ zones, you have a \$5.1 billion

1 market that this program can actually reach. And that's

- 2 36 percent of the market. And that includes 12 percent of
- 3 the total number of establishments in California.
- 4 So far through the history of the program \$55
- 5 million have been made in loans. And of these loans, 14
- 6 percent have been made to start-ups, 38 percent to
- 7 expansion kind of middle-growth companies, and 48 percent
- 8 to established companies.
- 9 The majority of the loans have been used for
- 10 machinery and equipment, working capital, and also to some
- 11 degree leasehold improvements and refinancing debt.
- 12 Sort of an interesting thing, if you look at the
- 13 average interest rate of the entire loan pool, it's high
- 14 compared to what the prime rate is now, which is --
- 15 actually presents an opportunity to actually sell this
- 16 pool of loans because of the way the interest rates have
- 17 been declining recently.
- 18 --000--
- 19 MR. SCHMIDT: We also as part of our research
- 20 interviewed zone administrators and some of the loan
- 21 recipients and tried to get some idea of, you know, what
- 22 could be some of the barriers to access to this program.
- 23 They mentioned collateral requirements. Some businesses,
- 24 new companies that didn't participate in the program
- 25 because they couldn't use their homes as collateral. But

- 1 as we understand, the Board doesn't want to be in the
- 2 position of foreclosing on people's homes and that's why
- 3 they've made this decision.
- 4 Timing of interest payments. Some companies are
- 5 start-ups, and it's quite difficult on the cash flow to
- 6 make initial payments on a loan immediately. And one of
- 7 the products that we actually developed in this program,
- 8 deferred payment loans, kind of takes this into
- 9 consideration.
- 10 Why we're here today, the replenishment of the
- 11 loan pool. We want to get a -- you know, it's kind of the
- 12 first step that we're taking in alleviating this problem.
- 13 Some felt that the financial incentives that were involved
- 14 in this program were not good enough to have people
- 15 participate. And some of that had to do with the fact
- 16 that interest rates have been declining in the economy in
- 17 the last year as part of the economic slow down. And sort
- 18 of the way that the Board lowers its interest rates
- 19 sometimes it's a little bit too high. So that has kept
- 20 people from maybe -- being as much of an incentive as it
- 21 could be.
- Then also confidentiality. Some start-up
- 23 companies were worried about participating in the program.
- 24 --000--
- 25 MR. SCHMIDT: Three basic sources that people get

1 financing from when starting a recycling company: Private

- 2 investment through personal savings and internal
- 3 investments; venture capital; also private -- I have
- 4 private lending sources twice there -- excuse me -- an
- 5 aggressive bank or SBA lender, leasing and financing
- 6 companies, sources from the Internet, and also government
- 7 and charitable organizations, such as this program,
- 8 grants, community development funds, and local development
- 9 loan programs.
- 10 --000--
- 11 MR. SCHMIDT: Now, Betsy's going to take over and
- 12 get into really some of the meat of what we came up with
- 13 here.
- 14 Thanks.
- MS. ZEIDMAN: Thanks, Bill.
- 16 What we did was after we had this information and
- 17 we had looked at -- talked to a lot of people in the
- 18 zones, done this research, done the markets, sat with the
- 19 Board staff and talked about our findings, we then went
- 20 about and said, "Okay, we need to develop some leveraging
- 21 strategies." And we developed five criteria we were going
- 22 to use to evaluate these strategies.
- 23 The first was the financing capacity, which is
- 24 "How do we get the highest possible ratio between the
- 25 Board's capital resources and private investment?"

1 The second was financial stability. We were

- 2 really concerned about having a program that was
- 3 sustainable over the long haul.
- 4 The third was the market responsiveness, being
- 5 able to help a variety of different kinds of companies,
- 6 because the type of -- there was a big variation in the
- 7 type of companies among both the current borrowers as well
- 8 as the potential borrowers.
- 9 The fourth was customer friendly, making this a
- 10 simple program, you know, loan approval, shorten the
- 11 process, just make it easy to use.
- 12 And, finally, was to have it be affordable, so
- 13 that we could make the program financially sustainable,
- 14 but not have interest costs incredibly burdensome on the
- 15 borrowers.
- 16 --000--
- 17 MS. ZEIDMAN: I'll talk a little bit about the
- 18 types of capital that we considered as we started thinking
- 19 about a leveraging strategy. As with any kind of
- 20 financing, there are basically two types of capital:
- 21 There's equity and there's debt.
- 22 Equity is the type of capital that people put in
- 23 for an ownership share in the company. When you have
- 24 start-up companies it's usually angels, people like that.
- 25 You know, it's very hard -- it's much harder to get

1 outside equity if you don't have a high-growth company.

- 2 And then two kinds of debt:
- 3 The senior debt, which is basically your standard
- 4 loan that's usually secured by something and generally
- 5 used for equipment, real estate, more hard assets.
- 6 And then subordinated debt, which is often called
- 7 mezzanine debt, which is kind of a blend between equity
- 8 and debt. It may take a back seat where it gets repaid
- 9 later. It may be convertible into equity at another
- 10 point. There are various forms of mezzanine debt.
- 11 We also looked at the fact that there was a
- 12 variety of businesses within your loan pool. There were
- 13 development-stage companies, companies that were just
- 14 getting started, established companies. And all these
- 15 companies require different types of capital. When we
- 16 were looking at it, we were aware that, you know, if you
- 17 were a lender, an investor, while there are some that are
- 18 motivated by an interest to be involved in the recycling
- 19 business or in environmental businesses, most are really
- 20 looking at the business fundamentals: You know, what does
- 21 the cash flow look like? How long is it going to be
- 22 before my company comes back? How long has this business
- 23 been in business? You know, what assets can I secure
- 24 against it? What is the founder's credit history?
- 25 Particularly with these small companies, that often became

- 1 quite critical.
- 2 --000--
- 3 MS. ZEIDMAN: So this graph is a little
- 4 confusing. But I want to tell you a little bit about how
- 5 we came up with the products. Well, we started with
- 6 saying, "Okay, given these financing needs, what are
- 7 products that would be useful to this market?" And so we
- 8 developed this matrix where on the top you have
- 9 collateral, things that the loans could be secured
- 10 against. Some companies had adequate capital. Some had
- 11 inadequate capital.
- 12 Secondly, on the right side of the axis, the
- 13 vertical axis, you have cash flow, depending on what
- 14 particular aspect of the recycling industry the business
- 15 was in or how old the business was or how much money the
- 16 business had to start with. Some had adequate cash flow
- 17 on a going basis; some had inadequate cash flow.
- 18 If you take a look at the top left box, a company
- 19 that has adequate cash flow and adequate collateral,
- 20 what's appealing to them about the RMDZ loan program was
- 21 the low cost financing. And a company that represented a
- 22 low credit risk because it did have cash flow and capital,
- 23 but they could actually go out and get conventional bank
- 24 financing, they would be likely to come to this program
- 25 and participate because of the reduced interest costs. So

1 to them the appropriate product would be below-market-rate

- 2 loans.
- 3 The next box, you will see, has, if you look over
- 4 to the top right-hand corner, has adequate cash flow but
- 5 has inadequate collateral. It might be a service
- 6 business. It might be a technology business that has
- 7 developed a new recycling technology, but doesn't have
- 8 really strong hard assets that a bank or other lender
- 9 could lend against. They would be -- they would be like a
- 10 subordinate debt product, something that would remove the
- 11 collateral list from the lender. The lender knows that
- 12 they get their cash back, but they don't have any
- 13 collateral security. So we would create something like a
- 14 subordinate loan, a loan -- it wasn't equity, but it's --
- 15 and you get paid back at the full interest rate, but it
- 16 takes a secondary position.
- 17 The bottom left-hand corner would be a company
- 18 that had adequate cash flow -- I mean adequate collateral,
- 19 but inadequate cash flow. A company that's got -- you
- 20 know, been around for awhile, has a good market, but they
- 21 just don't generate a lot of cash. But they've got real
- 22 property, and maybe they want to expand. So that's a kind
- 23 of company that would need a deferred payment. You know,
- 24 and you could feel like you had something to secure it
- 25 against -- or the lender could secure it against,

1 something to secure the loan against, but wasn't totally

- 2 confident in the cash flow coming in. So in that case it
- 3 would be a deferred payment loan.
- And, finally, the last box is your start up.
- 5 You're a very small company, great idea, maybe the owner's
- 6 got a good track record. But there's no collateral
- 7 because it's probably in one of your technology area --
- 8 you know, knowledge-based parts of the industry and
- 9 there's no cash flow because they haven't been around for
- 10 awhile. And in that case we'd also want a deferred
- 11 payment loan.
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- MS. ZEIDMAN: Once we developed this pool of
- 14 products we said, "Okay, given that this is the pool of
- 15 products that we think is useful for this industry and
- 16 these segments of the industry that are likely to use this
- 17 program, what are some mechanisms, what are some
- 18 strategies that we could use?"
- 19 And with that we developed the four strategies
- 20 that Victor mentioned: The new markets tax credit, equity
- 21 equivalent, the loan guarantee, and the loan sale.
- 22 We actually started with a longer list. And we
- 23 spent a lot of time with the Board and sort of said:
- 24 "Will this work?" "Wouldn't this work?" You know,
- 25 "Here's what we would have to do to make it work." And

1 through a lot of discussion and consensus we pulled into

- 2 these being the four best approaches that the Board could
- 3 take.
- 4 And with that we developed some mini-business
- 5 plans for each one of these strategies, which Paul will go
- 6 through in a minute.
- 7 I want to point out that we took several
- 8 assumptions as we developed these strategies. We aimed
- 9 for a target mix of 50 percent established companies, 30
- 10 percent early stage, and 20 percent start up. If you'll
- 11 look on the left, the numbers are slightly different. You
- 12 get a slightly higher balance of early stage and a
- 13 slightly lower balance of established start up. But we
- 14 think it would sort out over time. And, again, we were
- 15 looking at numbers that would make this a sustainable
- 16 pool.
- 17 We took all three strategies, used the same
- 18 combination of products, recognizing that because you've
- 19 got a mix of companies, you're going to have different
- 20 products available at different times and to different
- 21 companies at different stages of growth.
- 22 We assumed and we developed each plan -- when you
- 23 look -- not so much on the presentation, but if you look
- 24 at the pro formas and the numbers in the document, each
- 25 one assumed that the Board would put in three and a half

- 1 million dollars and that would leverage at least \$10
- 2 million annually and could be recycled in perpetuity. So
- 3 each plan is done as though that was the only plan.
- 4 It is possible to say we like both -- two of
- 5 these different plans and we'd like to put them together,
- 6 in which case you would split the three and a half million
- 7 dollars in some combination and you would, you know,
- 8 together generate at least \$10 million. But we basically
- 9 took each one of these and said, "We're going to take
- 10 these as though that was the only one."
- 11 --000--
- 12 MS. ZEIDMAN: Paul is now going to go through a
- 13 little bit of sort of a quick overview of each one of the
- 14 strategies. And then we are all available for questions
- 15 afterwards.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 17 As Paul comes up, I just -- if there's any seats
- 18 out there -- we got some people standing around the room.
- 19 If there's some available seats or somebody needs to move
- 20 over, that might accommodate some of these folks that are
- 21 standing.
- 22 Go ahead. Thank you.
- MR. PRYDE: Thank you very much.
- 24 As Betsy mentioned, there were two challenges
- 25 which we face in constructing the leveraging options.

1 One, as she said, was to come up with an array of

- 2 products that would serve the range of borrowers that the
- 3 Board is trying to help get financing.
- 4 And the second, and the primary, challenge was to
- 5 find new capital sources which the Board could leverage
- 6 with its public funds.
- 7 And one way of expressing this -- and I find it
- 8 useful to think about a finance program in this way -- is
- 9 that you have capital sources which represent a finance
- 10 program's liabilities and capital, which represent --
- 11 which are converted to cash, which you can then use to
- 12 make loans. Those loans then become the finance program's
- 13 assets. And so this combination of assets, the interest
- 14 on the assets, gives the organization the ability to repay
- 15 its debt, to give a return on its equity to the extent it
- 16 has equity. And if you construct it properly the assets
- 17 produce a return that allow the equity holder, in this
- 18 case the Board, to get its money back at a return as well
- 19 as repay any leveraged private money.
- 20 And so almost all finance organizations will look
- 21 at its assets and say, "Do these assets serve my
- 22 borrowers? Do they produce the stream of revenue which
- 23 allow me to get a return of it on the capital that I used
- 24 to fund those assets?"
- Now, we came up with four different strategies.

- 1 As Betsy mentioned, these strategies are not mutual or
- 2 exclusive. They can be combined with each other in some
- 3 combination to meet the needs of the Board.
- 4 The first is a new-markets tax credit. The
- 5 new-markets tax credit is a very interesting program.
- 6 It's a brand new. It was enacted in the last days of the
- 7 Clinton administration -- oh, I'm sorry. Thank you,
- 8 Betsy.
- 9 Technologically challenged.
- 10 New markets tax credit is a brand new program
- 11 that -- start from the beginning now -- a \$15 billion
- 12 program which gives taxpayers a 39 percent credit against
- 13 amounts invested in a community development entity. A
- 14 community development entity is an organization that makes
- 15 business loans and investments in low-income areas. For
- 16 example, if I were to put a million dollars into a CDE, I
- 17 would then be able to reduce my tax payments to the
- 18 federal government by \$390,000 or 39 percent over 7 years.
- 19 I have plenty of technical assistance behind me,
- 20 which apparently I need.
- 21 (Laughter.)
- MR. PRYDE: This program, as I said, it's a
- 23 7-year program. The investor doesn't get to deduct the
- 24 tax all in one year, as Victor just pointed out, as you
- 25 might have heard. It's taken over 7 years, 5 percent for

1 the first 3 years and 6 percent for the remaining 4 years.

- 2 Interestingly enough, 40 percent in the census
- 3 tracks in America qualify.
- 4 A little aside. I was in New York and visiting
- 5 an investment banking firm that's interested in these
- 6 new-markets tax credit in an office building in the middle
- 7 of Manhattan. They said, "Congratulations. You're
- 8 standing in the middle of a qualified census track."
- 9 Because of some sort of demographic aberration, the middle
- 10 of Manhattan and parts of it at least are qualifying
- 11 census tracks. So places you wouldn't think would qualify
- 12 for these types of investments do.
- 13 --000--
- 14 MR. PRYDE: But the idea is that the availability
- 15 of a federal subsidy in this case, this 39 percent tax
- 16 credit, will make it -- is an inducement for investors to
- 17 put money into a company that would finance recycling
- 18 companies, using the three products that we talked about.
- 19 So that's Number 1.
- 20 We think at the very least you could get leverage
- 21 of at least five to one that way. And once again, as
- 22 Betsy pointed out, our models assume that this goes on in
- 23 perpetuity; that, as I pointed out, the income from the
- 24 assets, the loans that are made to borrowers, is
- 25 sufficient to ride a return of it on capital, so there is

1 no diminution in the ability of the Board to finance its

- 2 annual needs -- the annual needs of loan recycling
- 3 companies.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MR. PRYDE: Our specific proposal was that the
- 6 Board would make a long-term loan of \$10 million. Now,
- 7 that loan would be funded over a three-year period, not
- 8 all in one year; three and a half, three and a half, and
- 9 three.
- 10 The lender -- investors would invest \$30 million,
- 11 for a tax credit of 39 percent, and a lender would make a
- 12 \$10 million loan, creating a pool of capital of \$50
- 13 million. That would allow for five years the Board to
- 14 make \$10 million in loans. Earnings on those loans would
- 15 then be sufficient, along with the -- the repayment and
- 16 earnings on those loans would be sufficient in the out
- 17 years to make additional loans, along with additional
- 18 infusions over the last two years of three and a half
- 19 million dollars by the Board. Once again, the idea is
- 20 that this is a perpetual program that, like a bank, for
- 21 example, uses the earnings and capital that it has over a
- 22 long period of time to fund new loans every year.
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- 24 MR. PRYDE: There are several sources of the new
- 25 markets -- of investors for the new-markets tax credit.

- 1 We've listed three. One is the Enterprise Social
- 2 Investment Corporation, which is investing in the
- 3 low-income housing tax credit, which is -- to which the
- 4 new-markets tax credit has a resemblance. Bank of America
- 5 has purchased tax credits. And Behr Stearn and Company, a
- 6 New York investment banking firm, a Wall Street firm, with
- 7 \$31 billion in capital, has also expressed interest in
- 8 this idea.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 MR. PRYDE: Loan guarantees. One way that public
- 11 entities increasingly are leveraging private capital is
- 12 not making loans directly themselves, but by using their
- 13 assets to leverage private capital by protecting private
- 14 capital from the risk of loan default.
- The SBA 7A program operates this way. In
- 16 California, the financial development corporations operate
- 17 this way.
- 18 And so an additional -- or a second strategy is
- 19 using -- entering into a partnership with financial
- 20 development corporations to create a new guarantee program
- 21 under which the Board would put up money that would back
- 22 guarantees made by -- on loans made by private banks to
- 23 recycling companies. We've talked to some of the
- 24 financial development corporations about this, and they're
- 25 very much interested because they're always looking for

1 new resources to make more quarantees available to their

- 2 businesses in their market areas. There are 11 of these
- 3 organizations around the State.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MR. PRYDE: Once again, we believe a diagram
- 6 helps explain an idea. And so in this case, the Board
- 7 could contribute \$3 million to a small business expansion
- 8 fund, which would provide up to \$12 million in loan
- 9 guarantees to lenders, which would provide \$12 million in
- 10 loans to borrowers.
- 11 The reason for the 12 to 3 -- the 3 to 12 ratio
- 12 is that under the Small Business Expansion Fund Program,
- 13 \$1 of loan reserves can leverage \$4 dollars in loan
- 14 quarantees.
- 15 So for every dollar of guarantees, put it a
- 16 different way, you have to have 25 cents in reserves.
- 18 MR. PRYDE: As we pointed out, we've talked to
- 19 several of the California FDCs about this. NorCal,
- 20 Pacific Coast Regional, California Southern, all have
- 21 expressed interest in some sort of relationship.
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- MR. PRYDE: Loan sale. As Victor's pointed out,
- 24 and as you well know, you've engaged in this type of
- 25 transaction before, selling loans to investors such as the

- 1 Community Reinvestment Fund and using the cash to make
- 2 more loans. The spin that we put on this, however, is
- 3 that the loans we would envision selling would not only be
- 4 below market loans, but some loans at market so that the
- 5 Board would get bank at least the amount of money that it
- 6 put into each loan. So for each dollar you made in loans,
- 7 you'd get at least a dollar back.
- 8 We have talked to the Community Reinvestment Fund
- 9 about a program under which they would make what's called
- 10 forward commitment to the Board; and that is, they would
- 11 agree that for each loan made that met a certain set of
- 12 underwriting standards, the Community Reinvestment Fund
- 13 would agree to purchase that loan immediately after it was
- 14 made. So it would be an ongoing process, very similar to
- 15 the way Fannie Mae, for example, purchases mortgage loans.
- 16 A lender makes a loan and immediately sells it, gets the
- 17 cash and makes a new loan.
- 18 --000--
- 19 CRF is interested in that sort of program because
- 20 it simplifies their task. They work with the lender, they
- 21 set up a set of agreed-upon underwriting standards and
- 22 servicing protocols, et cetera, and the program proceeds
- 23 on that basis, so that money is turned over time and time
- 24 again on an almost immediate basis.
- 25 What we envision, is that you could make \$3

1 million of loans. If you made them in one quarter, you

- 2 could sell them in that quarter. And so on a quarterly
- 3 basis if you sold \$3 million worth of loans, you could
- 4 make \$12 million of loans a year. Once again, we've
- 5 structured our financials on the theory that the loans are
- 6 bearing interest rates which would allow \$3 million worth
- 7 of loans to be sold for \$3 million in cash. And we think
- 8 that's quite doable.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 MR. PRYDE: And, finally -- well -- the three
- 11 sources of interest in this are Community Reinvestment
- 12 Fund of course, and then two private investment banking
- 13 firms; one, Bayview Financial, and the other -- shouldn't
- 14 be SBA Receivables; should be CBA Receivables -- that are
- 15 investment banking firms, regional firms that have
- 16 expressed recent interest in community development assets.
- 17 A lot of organizations are now coming to the view that
- 18 small business loans, economic development, and community
- 19 development loans represent a new source of business for
- 20 them, and buying those loans is attractive.
- 21 --000--
- 22 MR. PRYDE: Finally, there are social investors
- 23 who are interested in making loans and investments in
- 24 organizations that are -- in turn use the money to make
- 25 long-term -- making loans to companies whose purposes

- 1 accord with the investor's social mission.
- 2 In particular, banks can make what are called EQ2
- 3 investments -- equity equivalent investments -- have done
- 4 so in some cases. Foundations make program-related
- 5 investments. These generally take the form of long-term,
- 6 low-interest loans, that can be in turn used to fund
- 7 recycling loans.
- 8 As we envision it, the Board would make a \$10
- 9 million loan or long-term loan or recoverable grant to a
- 10 community development finance institution -- I want to
- 11 back up here and say that, rather than forming a new
- 12 organization to be the recipient of this program-related
- 13 investment or equity equivalent investment, we envision a
- 14 partnership between the Board and an existing community
- 15 development finance institution which would do most of the
- 16 heavy lifting.
- 17 The Board would provide the organization with a
- 18 long-term loan and a recoverable grant to match a similar
- 19 loan from a program-related investor such as a foundation
- 20 or a bank. A bank would then leverage that with long-term
- 21 credit lines. And that would once again allow the Board
- 22 to make, in our judgment, \$50 million in loans over a long
- 23 period of time.
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- 25 MR. PRYDE: Sources of funding for that include

1 the Ford Foundation, that has made -- is probably a leader

- 2 in making program-related investments; a couple of years
- 3 ago made \$100 million -- a \$50 million investment in an
- 4 organization called Self Help in North Carolina to finance
- 5 mortgage loans.
- 6 Citibank has made EQ2 investments to several
- 7 community development finance institutions.
- 8 And the F. B. Heron Foundation -- it's a New York
- 9 based foundation, whose only purpose is community
- 10 development. And F. B. Heron has essentially said, "We
- 11 want eventually our entire \$300 million in assets to be in
- 12 community development assets."
- 13 So those are three organizations which would be
- 14 possible sources of program-related investments or, as we
- 15 call it, EQ2 investments.
- 16 --000--
- MR. PRYDE: Now, the last thing we did was -- I'm
- 18 going to let Betsy take the floor once again -- is compare
- 19 the four strategies.
- 20 MS. ZEIDMAN: I'm sitting here trying to remember
- 21 what this chart was.
- This was an attempt to really look at some
- 23 different criteria and say, "Okay, we've given all this
- 24 information. How does it sort out?" And it's a pretty
- 25 rough cut at looking, you know, plus, minus, or break even

- 1 on some different points. Simplicity -- you know, how
- 2 simple it is to get this in place? Practicality -- does
- 3 it achieve your goals, is it practical to do?
- 4 sustainable -- can you actually sustain it by keeping the
- 5 program going on a cost-effective basis over time?
- 6 Affordability -- how much money would you have to put into
- 7 it up front. And implementability -- which really has to
- 8 do with, you know, what would it take to do it or do you
- 9 have the skills and the forces in places?
- 10 --000--
- 11 MS. ZEIDMAN: As you can see, if you look at it,
- 12 clearly the loan sale comes out in the terms of the best
- 13 columns on the plus category. There may or may not be
- 14 another to not do it. But that just gives you a rough cut
- 15 across the top.
- 16 --000--
- 17 MS. ZEIDMAN: We went back to the original
- 18 criteria that we looked at and we said, "Okay, let's look
- 19 at these in the five different areas and how do they do?".
- 20 The leveraging ratio, which represents your
- 21 finance capacity, ranges from 5 point to 1, which is the
- 22 new-markets tax credit and the equity equivalent, up to 19
- 23 to 1, which is your highest leverage, which would be the
- 24 loan guarantee program.
- The loan sale falls somewhat in the middle,

1 ranging anywhere from 12 to 16 to 1. This is using -- we

- 2 had two sets of projections in each case, what we called
- 3 base case and a best case, where we had different
- 4 assumptions about interest rates, et cetera.
- 5 The financial stability. We've looked at a
- 6 number of different products, loan loss reserves, blends
- 7 of below market capital and market interests rates. And
- 8 together these would produce in each case adequate cash
- 9 flows to finance losses and to sell your loans at no less
- 10 than par. We know you had an experience a few years ago
- 11 where you did sell loans and took quite a cut. And this
- 12 was all oriented around creating a portfolio of loans
- 13 where if you sold, you know, one loan, you might lose
- 14 some, you might make some on another, but it was intended
- 15 to have the portfolio be self-sustaining.
- 16 From a return point of view, the return over five
- 17 years averaged anywhere from, you know, zero -- a couple
- 18 of them in the base case had a zero return, I think the
- 19 loan guarantee and the sale -- up to 33 percent, best
- 20 case, which would be the new-markets tax credit.
- 21 Market responsiveness. These loan products,
- 22 because we did the three different products blended, they
- 23 would respond to the different needs of your different
- 24 companies at different stages of growth.
- 25 The customer friendliness. We really worked to

1 look at how you could use existing intermediaries and how

- 2 you could make things simpler for the zone administration,
- 3 have relationships with your customers. In some cases it
- 4 does require starting a new entity. But it was not
- 5 intended that the Board start something new, but work with
- 6 existing intermediaries.
- 7 And, finally, affordability, both reducing the
- 8 burden on your customers, because you don't want to
- 9 increase to a degree you lose customers. So we looked at
- 10 these different below-market interests rates, extended
- 11 loan terms, and deferral of interest in principal
- 12 payments.
- 13 And now we are all available. I don't know
- 14 however you all want to handle the question and answers.
- Thank you very much.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you very much. That
- 17 was quite a presentation.
- 18 Mr. La Tanner, do you have anything to add before
- 19 I ask the members if they have questions.
- 20 MR. LA TANNER: Also in the audience is Gary
- 21 Holmquist from Community Reinvestment Fund, we sold the
- 22 loans to. They took a look at our current portfolio. And
- 23 under the new-markets tax credit strategy determined that
- 24 62 percent of loans we've made are in low-income
- 25 communities.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Beautiful.
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- 2 All right, members, any questions?
- 3 Mr. Eaton.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: In the context of a
- 5 public entity getting into the loan business and all of
- 6 the other things and programs against the background,
- 7 which, if any of these, runs the greatest risk as a Board
- 8 that has to protect the taxpayer's purse in certain
- 9 situations through fiscal integrity and so on and so
- 10 forth? Are there any of these where at a certain point
- 11 where you turn over and you actually do invest with
- 12 another entity in a partnership? At what point can we
- 13 with public dollars be held accountable for -- you know,
- 14 that we've made solid loans?
- I mean not all loans can be, you know,
- 16 quaranteed. But there are certain risks and, therefore,
- 17 with -- we are sometimes under a different criteria than a
- 18 public entity. So what is the back drop by which your
- 19 strategies are measured against this?
- 20 MR. PRYDE: All right. I think there are a
- 21 couple forms of protection the Board would have to take --
- 22 a couple of actions the Board would have to take to
- 23 protect itself. One is to enter into a relationship
- 24 either as an investor or a guarantor, only with
- 25 organizations that themselves have a public purpose and

- 1 whose mission is to -- is consistent with that of the
- 2 Board. That's why working with the FDCs, which are public
- 3 benefit corporations; community development entities,
- 4 which are eligible to receive new-markets tax credits,
- 5 have to be organizations whose mission is serving
- 6 low-income communities. So that's one thing, but it's not
- 7 sufficient. It's necessary, but not sufficient.
- 8 The second thing is to enter into a contractual
- 9 relationship or an investment relationship where the
- 10 agreement between the organization that's going to be
- 11 carrying out the work on your behalf and you specifies the
- 12 performance criteria that you're going to look at to hold
- 13 them accountable, and to allow you to sever the
- 14 contractual relationship if they fail.
- 15 Now, the way -- under the new-markets tax credit,
- 16 for example, if an organization that receives a tax credit
- 17 allocation fails to maintain its CDE status, the investors
- 18 are at risk of having to get back their tax credits. You
- 19 have to certify that 60 percent at a minimum of all your
- 20 assets as a CDE are going to be in low-income areas. And
- 21 if you don't, you lose a CDE status. So there are a bunch
- 22 of incentives and penalties for falling out of status, for
- 23 not complying with the agreement you make with the public
- 24 entity which is providing the funds. And I think the
- 25 Board would have to take a great deal of care to make sure

1 that its contractual relationships are very similarly

- 2 structured.
- 3 Secondly, you'd have to have some amount of
- 4 oversight, regular oversight to look at the assets that
- 5 this organization is creating on your behalf and saying,
- 6 "Do these comply with our agreement?"
- 7 And I think those two things, if they were done,
- 8 would protect the public interest in these loans, an
- 9 organization who has the public interest as its primary
- 10 mission and a contract which specifies how the Board's
- 11 funds are to be used in conjunction with private funds to
- 12 achieve the Board's unique mission.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: And just one other
- 14 question. Thank you for that. That's helpful because
- 15 there are certain criteria by which we all have to play
- 16 by.
- 17 Are any of these strategies multi-state
- 18 strategies whereas -- or are they or in your thinking
- 19 were -- whatever partnerships or the four strategies we
- 20 had were all going to be invested in California-type
- 21 businesses, rather than going over and investing in a
- 22 recycling business in an out-of-state entity which may or
- 23 may not do business with California and, therefore, our
- 24 problem or our public purpose by which we exist, which is
- 25 to reduce, reuse, and recycle California's waste, would

- 1 not be served because we would be investing in an
- 2 out-of-state entity which would not be taking care of any
- 3 of our waste?
- 4 MR. PRYDE: All the assets that would be
- 5 generated would be California assets, working through
- 6 California corporations, as I recall. That was an
- 7 assumption that we --
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Okay. I figured it, but
- 9 sometimes it's always helpful to clarify.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: The two issues that you
- 12 brought up just a minute ago in answering Board Member
- 13 Eaton's questions, are they identified in the report as
- 14 far as something for us to --
- 15 MR. PRYDE: I'm not sure we used that specific
- 16 language. What we did use was -- we specified the type of
- 17 organization, although we didn't use that general language
- 18 that I just used. And we did say agreement, although we
- 19 didn't specify the elements of the agreement in exact
- 20 detail.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. Because the fact
- 22 that a CBE has to be doing 60 percent of its business and
- 23 that we need to be aware of that if that's going to be one
- 24 of our options that we're going to -- or whatever.
- 25 MR. PRYDE: That information is in here.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: That is in there? Okay.
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- 2 All right. Because we -- I know there's a lot of
- 3 massaging in this report up till just about the last
- 4 minute. So none of the Board members have had a chance to
- 5 read it prior to this, I don't think. I mean I don't want
- 6 to speak for them. But I know I didn't get mine until
- 7 today, right -- I mean some time today. And I was in a
- 8 committee meeting.
- 9 But I had reviewed some other work.
- 10 Mr. Paparian.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, thank you.
- 12 Victor mentioned in the definition of leveraging
- 13 that it was basically, if I'm -- I'm paraphrasing -- but
- 14 basically using these funds to encourage the investment of
- 15 other public, private or nonprofit funds. One thing
- 16 that's intrigued me -- and I'm just curious, if you looked
- 17 at this or whether perhaps would you be looking at it
- 18 separately, is that there are some State sources of funds
- 19 that are out there that are being invested in a variety of
- 20 activities, things like the infrastructure bank, there's
- 21 some community investment funds I think treasurer deals
- 22 with as well as the Pollution Control Financing Authority.
- In my mind, leveraging can include partnering
- 24 with these other types of funds that are out there to try
- 25 to push them to invest in what we want to see happen with

- 1 our funds. Was this looked at at all, or is that
- 2 something we should be looking at separately in some way?
- 3 MR. PRYDE: We did look at some of that. And
- 4 what we ended up doing is trying to say, "Now, what are
- 5 the four most promising?" And these four promising
- 6 options do not exclude, for example, working with the
- 7 Infrastructure Bank, with whom we talked and at which we
- 8 looked. But we decided that the -- what we would focus on
- 9 were these four options because they seemed to have the
- 10 greatest potential for bringing new private capital in
- 11 without foreclosing working with other public sources of
- 12 money, such as tax exempt financing from the
- 13 Infrastructure Bank or working with the State Treasurer's
- 14 office, which has made a commitment to work in other
- 15 markets.
- 16 Ultimately, it's a little bit of a judgment call.
- 17 But as I said, these four options might be too exclusive.
- 18 And these four options don't foreclose the other ones,
- 19 which -- I'm not saying we looked at every possibility,
- 20 but we looked at some of the possibilities you just
- 21 mentioned.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right, I mentioned
- 23 that we -- you know, enhance some of the funding that
- 24 could be available for what you're talking about by --
- 25 MS. ZEIDMAN: Exactly. And I think we also -- as

- 1 we said, we started out with I think ten different
- 2 options. And some of the other government programs were
- 3 definitely included with that. As we went through and we
- 4 said, okay, given the long-term goals, which is to have
- 5 this program effectively be self sustaining, one of the
- 6 things that we actually decided to do was to not focus as
- 7 much on the government financing, because the idea was
- 8 that there was -- the government financing was going to be
- 9 somewhat restricted in terms of your case. You didn't
- 10 want to be in a situation where you were relying on other
- 11 government sources of financing that might simultaneously
- 12 be restrictive. They are not mutually exclusive at all,
- 13 and there are ways of leveraging and partnering within
- 14 this.
- 15 And certainly this presentation doesn't cover
- 16 every aspect of the financing that we cover in the report,
- 17 because we don't want to keep you here for the next ten
- 18 hours.
- 19 But, you know, it is another way to look at it.
- 20 MR. LA TANNER: I'd add, the staff has had some
- 21 discussion with the California Infrastructure Bank in a
- 22 couple of aspects. They make direct loans to public
- 23 entities. They do not deal at all with private entities
- 24 because they're able to sell the bonds at a nontaxable
- 25 rate. I had talked to them about selling -- making bonds

- 1 underwritten by our loans; and our loans are to private
- 2 businesses, so they can't do it, essentially. They would
- 3 -- separately they don't have excess funds, for example,
- 4 to put in the subaccount. I asked them that one, too.
- 5 They had about a third of their funds taken away during
- 6 the budget crunch. And they have more applications than
- 7 they do funding availability.
- 8 The only way we could leverage with the
- 9 Infrastructure Bank is if there was a project that they
- 10 could finance the public portion of, and then we could
- 11 finance the private business for that aspect.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I can't
- 13 envision -- from some of the discussions that have been
- 14 taking place with regards to -- oh, what's the term --
- 15 recycling parks, whatever -- eco-industrial parks, yeah.
- 16 I could see that, you know, a very natural partnership
- 17 there where if we could encourage the Infrastructure Bank
- 18 to handle some of the public infrastructure while we were
- 19 handling some of the private financing and maybe
- 20 encouraging some, you know, pollution control financing
- 21 authority and some of the others to invest in the same
- 22 place, I think -- you know, and perhaps it gets beyond
- 23 just the term "leveraging" -- just some sort of
- 24 partnership to encourage the sorts of things that are part
- 25 of our mission.

1 MR. LA TANNER: All right. The Infrastructure

- 2 Bank actually has two programs. One's the bond program,
- 3 and then they also have RE-DID, which is a different loan
- 4 program. And in talking with Roma Christa Plant, who also
- 5 used to be on our staff, they can do all the loans to the
- 6 public entities, such as the one we did to the City of
- 7 Cloverdale.
- 8 MR. HOSKINS: But as you pointed out, when you
- 9 first started talking about the public entities working
- 10 with public entities -- I mean you can look at, for
- 11 example, the State of Maryland, which is the one I'm most
- 12 familiar with, one of the things that we did when the
- 13 Governor started looking at smart growth is we analyzed
- 14 all organizations that were involved in any kind of
- 15 physical development activity where they expended funds
- 16 within census tracks that were considered urban, that we
- 17 looked at all of those.
- 18 And we end up with a beautiful linkage between
- 19 the economic -- the Department of Business and Economic
- 20 Development -- which was the Department I was working for,
- 21 I was Assistant Secretary there, I was working for at that
- 22 time -- and the Department of Transportation.
- Now, I would have never thought that there would
- 24 be a linkage between those two organizations. But we
- 25 ended up with some powerful infrastructure elements,

1 really lowering the cost of doing business in a number of

- 2 areas, like the City of Baltimore, which is a very
- 3 difficult area; Somerset County, which was a high
- 4 unemployment area; Gary County, which is a high
- 5 unemployment area. But these transportation dollars, they
- 6 had to use, they were going there anyway, and what we did
- 7 is we let them complement what we were doing. So a form
- 8 of leverage not directly into the loan program, but
- 9 certainly lowering the cost of the company doing business,
- 10 which is really what you're trying to do overall.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I think I'll ask if Gary
- 12 Holmquist would like to address the Committee. I know
- 13 that you were responsible, in part -- you took our loan
- 14 sale the first time, right?
- MR. HOLMQUIST: Right, right.
- 16 You know, and actually that -- Gary Holmquist,
- 17 Community Reinvestment Fund. I structure deals for the
- 18 fund.
- 19 That deal, comparing it to the current portfolio
- 20 and that environment in '96. We had an interest rate
- 21 environment where we sold the bonds at 8 and a half
- 22 percent. Current environment right now is rough 6, maybe
- 23 6 and a quarter.
- 24 Weighted average coupon on the portfolio was four
- 25 seventy-five. Right now it's about five ten. So the

- 1 differential between market interest rate and the
- 2 portfolio is pretty small.
- 3 You know, the cost of doing a transaction,
- 4 besides the transaction cost, I would estimate to be
- 5 roughly 2, 2 and a half percent.
- 6 And the way they restructured the deal was, you
- 7 know, first transaction was secure tied \$6.1 million for
- 8 the loans. We advanced on initial advance \$4.7 million,
- 9 with a deferred purchase once our funds were paid off.
- 10 And that's being paid off right now, the deferred, on a
- 11 monthly basis as monthly cash flow is coming in.
- 12 We estimated when we went into the transaction
- 13 that the cost of doing the deal to the Board was going to
- 14 be 11 percent, assuming that, you know, all the payments
- 15 were made as scheduled.
- 16 As it turned out, you know, even though the loans
- 17 were 4 and a half percent incentive, there were a lot of
- 18 prepays. Well, those prepays paid off the higher interest
- 19 rate, the 8 and a half percent money that we advanced, and
- 20 brought down the cost of the transaction. So the end
- 21 result is, assuming that all the payments are made as
- 22 agreed for their duration here, it will be roughly a 7
- 23 percent cost of doing the deal, in an interest rate
- 24 environment that was at 8 and a half percent.
- 25 So in running the -- the differential now between

1 the portfolio at 5.1 percent -- I don't have the data for

- 2 the weighted average life, but it is longer. You're doing
- 3 some 20-year deals versus I think the max was 10-year
- 4 deals before. You know, so that kind of stretches out the
- 5 monthly payments.
- 6 But despite this, I think I assumed less than a 5
- 7 percent discount in the current interest rate environment,
- 8 advancing \$22 1/2 million against a \$29 million portfolio,
- 9 under the same type of structure, and not assuming
- 10 anything for prepays.
- 11 So, you know, it's a great time to be selling.
- 12 You know, I'm not sure the interest rate environment is
- 13 going to get any better.
- 14 Now, there was another thing I was going to --
- 15 oh, talking about leveraging. One of things that we do --
- 16 community Reinvestment Fund is a nonprofit. Our mission
- 17 is to bring more dollars into economic development. So
- 18 when we package loans and pool them up, we sell to banks
- 19 who are getting CRA credit, we're selling to insurance
- 20 companies, bringing private dollars into economic
- 21 development. So I mean it's just another way of bringing
- 22 more dollars into recycling.
- I don't know if you have any questions.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I have a couple questions.
- 25 First off, I appreciate that explanation, because

1 this is clearly the best deal -- I mean the minimal amount

- 2 of deduction that we're going to have to take on our loan
- 3 package. And your history with our former loan package
- 4 default-wise -- I mean, I know you have a reserve that
- 5 you're paying us back as dollars are getting paid off.
- 6 MR. HOLMQUIST: Right.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Have you seen a loss?
- 8 MR. HOLMQUIST: That portfolio has been --
- 9 performed pristine. It's just --
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Zero.
- MR. HOLMQUIST: Yeah, no losses, no -- I don't
- 12 think there's even been --
- MR. LA TANNER: The 72 loans that we sold,
- 14 nobody's missed a payment. And some of them paid back
- 15 early.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Right.
- 17 So --
- 18 MR. HOLMQUIST: It's been a great portfolio.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: So in marketing the current
- 20 portfolio, with the kind of track record that we have as
- 21 an agency, we should obviously see some better treatment
- 22 as far as what the reserve would be.
- MR. HOLMQUIST: Well, you know, and not only
- 24 that. I mean, you know -- here's one of the things that
- 25 we did when we structured the deal. We came to the Board

1 and said, you know, "Here's what we think we can do. But

- 2 you choose how much you want in a reserve," because
- 3 there's a tradeoff between cost of the transaction and the
- 4 amount of dollars that you leverage.
- 5 You know, if you go for the max, the cost is
- 6 going to be higher because our dollars are going to be
- 7 outstanding longer. So, you know, you have to choose an
- 8 optimal level. We'll come up with a dollar amount that we
- 9 think, you know, we can sell. And beyond that it will be
- 10 up to you to choose the optimal level for the Board.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: But our history has got
- 12 something to do with --
- MR. HOLMQUIST: Absolutely. I didn't --
- 14 CHAIRPERSON JONES: And then one other issue.
- The option that we heard about with working
- 16 with -- I think it would be an agency like yours, where we
- 17 agree to what the criteria would be for giving a loan; and
- 18 as we made a loan, we sold the loan. Is that something
- 19 that your entity is interested in?
- MR. HOLMQUIST: You bet. Correct.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Because I think
- 22 it's -- I mean, obviously interest rates are critical. I
- 23 do appreciate the breakdown of the loans that you did
- 24 because I get nervous when somebody tells me that the only
- 25 reason that this business is even working is because the

- 1 loan is at a certain rate. And if it goes up a half a
- 2 point, they're not going to take the loan and they're not
- 3 going to get into the business. And unfortunately in the
- 4 real world, if that half a point is the difference between
- 5 making it or not, then the guy probably doesn't belong in
- 6 the business; there isn't enough consistency to work on
- 7 that close of a margin.
- 8 So the breakdown that you've given us of how
- 9 loans are distributed makes it real clear that we could
- 10 actually go after more start-ups with loan guarantees and
- 11 leverage those dollars, while using the others -- you
- 12 know, the sale and those types of things, to be able to
- 13 really keep this program going. Because I don't see
- 14 anything on the horizon that tells me that the general
- 15 fund is going to be kicking us money to be making loans.
- 16 And our budget is stretched to the hilt.
- We haven't made a contribution in two years -- we
- 18 haven't been able to make a contribution for two years
- 19 because we've got such a tight budget. So our options, in
- 20 my view, are not limited, but we've got to be smart about
- 21 what we do. And if we can sell a loan package without
- 22 taking a hit, which it sounds like we're not going to have
- 23 to take much of a hit at all, then that's dollars we can
- 24 put back into recycling businesses and keep going.
- 25 Any other questions or comments?

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Can I give you just some

- 2 logistics to the Board members?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Sure. Absolutely.
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: This is basically a
- 5 discussion item.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. We have two more
- 7 speakers.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Oh, okay.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: You may not want to do -- I
- 10 just want to know if the members before we went -- you
- 11 want to hold off on your thing?
- 12 Okay. John Davis from Mojave Desert/Mountain
- 13 Recycling Authority is also -- is he here?
- MR. DAVIS: Committee Members, I'm glad to be
- 15 here, I'm glad the report's here. And despite Southwest
- 16 Airlines best efforts, I managed to get out of Ontario.
- 17 And I really wanted to hear this presentation.
- 18 You know, it's been a couple years getting to this point.
- 19 And we look forward on behalf of the Recycling Market
- 20 Development Zone Association to working with you. I'm a
- 21 member of the board of that association, and there are
- 22 some other board members here as well.
- 23 And we did have one opportunity to submit a
- 24 letter in November to request some consideration in the
- 25 report. I just got the report as well, so I haven't had a

- 1 chance to look at our concerns.
- 2 I just wanted to give -- I have one question, but
- 3 I think I'll be brief on my comments.
- 4 The loan program really is the way that we open
- 5 the door. The below-market rate loan gets people's
- 6 attention. We don't always go much further than that.
- 7 And sometimes the loan is really not the issue. But it
- 8 gets us going. And there was a period a couple years ago
- 9 where we were asked to qualify, "There's money, but it may
- 10 not be there when you need it." And I think -- I think
- 11 one of the things that I'm going to be looking for in the
- 12 report and hopefully be able to flush out over the next
- 13 few weeks is what happens when there's high demand. 2000
- 14 was a high demand year. And it goes with the economy. I
- 15 think it's really no secret.
- What we're doing now is hopefully preparing for
- 17 the next wave of demand for the funds. And so I'm
- 18 particularly interested in this kind of secondary market
- 19 approach. We had suggested that that be looked at so
- 20 that -- you don't have to sell the whole portfolio. You
- 21 really take like the mortgage on your house and put that
- 22 out there, replenish that money.
- 23 The discussion with the Zone Association was we'd
- 24 rather have whatever funds are available now than to let
- 25 it dribble in over a four or five year period, because we

1 think the important thing is to get the infrastructure in

- 2 place in California now or -- and since we can't go
- 3 backward. But having the money that flows with the demand
- 4 is really important, and that's what we'll be looking for.
- 5 And so I guess my question would be whether we're
- 6 going to have access after today to the people who wrote
- 7 the report or whether we'll have any chance to talk in
- 8 detail with them and have further understandings and
- 9 whether they'll be available to help with the
- 10 implementation as we go forward.
- 11 MR. LA TANNER: Well, my response to that would
- 12 be technically the contract is going to expire soon with
- 13 the Milken Institute, so there probably wouldn't be an
- 14 opportunity to work with them after this. However, Victor
- 15 Hoskins is probably still available. And then it's pretty
- 16 much staff is going to look toward a September agenda item
- 17 for the Board to consider the leveraging options, as to
- 18 which one or more, if any, they want us to pursue to
- 19 developing an actual implementation plan on. Depending
- 20 upon the outcome of that, staff would bring back to the
- 21 Board at a later time, probably November, December,
- 22 specific implementation plans as to how, what, when,
- 23 where, why, how much and the whole bit, for the Board to
- 24 really make a decision on which ones they want us to
- 25 attempt to try and implement.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay.
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- 2 All right, John? Is that good?
- 3 MR. DAVIS: I heard the answer.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Good.
- 5 And in your scenarios that you're going to build
- 6 for the Committee in September, we're going to be putting
- 7 things together like, if we in talking with our friends
- 8 from CBI, that we could sell the loan package for X amount
- 9 of dollars, that would give us the ability to do this, to
- 10 do this, do this, do this. And especially if we're going
- 11 to be able to turn over loans right after sale -- I mean,
- 12 right after we do a loan, that we can get it, you know,
- 13 moved into another entity and get our investment back,
- 14 that would obviously have to, you know, really be
- 15 explained, especially the range of interest rates.
- Because it seems to me that a combination of
- 17 foundation funding and the reinvestment would be necessary
- 18 to sort of blend a -- and maybe not a blend, but maybe two
- 19 different types of loans, depending on two different types
- 20 of potential borrowers, where the foundation dollars could
- 21 be used for those start-ups or -- maybe not startups, but
- 22 those mid-range people that need that lower rate if that
- 23 fits somebody's portfolio better than the bank interest
- 24 rates.
- 25 I mean, I really want to -- I'm really hoping

- 1 that we have that kind of dialogue in the September
- 2 meeting, the "what if's" and to be prepared for, "What if
- 3 we do this?" Because you got six folks up here that are
- 4 all going to be able to bring value to the table, just as
- 5 this group did.
- 6 So it's going to be a tough one. And, Victor,
- 7 you're going to be there too, so bring your calculator.
- 8 Okay. Mr. Eaton.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: I think that's a good
- 10 point. What I'd like to be able to do at that meeting
- 11 is -- we've just heard about loan proceeds. Now, I may be
- 12 mistaken, but what I heard the individuals from both
- 13 Milken and from Capital Access talk about long-term
- 14 stability as part of the criteria, and so if you sell the
- 15 loans, that's sort of one injection.
- But I also think some of the strategies were
- 17 based on the fact that the Board would have to commit its
- 18 budget priorities for several years if it was going to be
- 19 in a combination of strategies. Was that correct?
- 20 In other words, for instance, let's say that the
- 21 loans generate -- loan sale generates \$20 million. And if
- 22 you're looking at creating X amount over a course of time,
- 23 then we would have to combine that with, you know,
- 24 subsequent million and a half, 2 million, 3 million,
- 25 whatever the figure would be, into our budgetary process.

1 So we would be not only committing the current Board, but

- 2 perhaps future Boards, either contractually if we entered
- 3 into any of these other items; is that correct? And if
- 4 so, I would want to know that at that time. And not that
- 5 I have one way or the other feeling, but I want to know --
- 6 MS. ZEIDMAN: Well, I think again it depends on
- 7 which strategies you undertake. I mean we -- this says,
- 8 we said from the beginning, it was intended to be
- 9 sustainable and to cycle through time. I mean you sell
- 10 the loans, but then you go out and you originate new
- 11 loans. So you sell those loans.
- 12 So, yeah, you may sell the loans and get a
- 13 certain amount of money, and that would -- you know, if
- 14 you just sat there and did nothing, you would run out at
- 15 some point. But the assumption is not that you're going
- 16 to sit there and do nothing. The assumption is that
- 17 you're going to be out there, you know, generating more
- 18 loans, and then you would turn around and sell those
- 19 loans. So that's in answer to one of those questions.
- 20 The other piece is that the combination issue
- 21 comes down to which of the strategies you undertake. If
- 22 you decide to just undertake the strategy that involves a
- 23 loan sale, that's what you would do over and over again.
- 24 If you decided that, "Gee, we'd also like to look at a
- 25 new-markets tax credit approach" or "we'd also like to

- 1 look at the equity equivalent to hit a different piece of
- 2 the market," then the assumption that we built in was that
- 3 maybe you would apply -- you know, you would sell some of
- 4 the loans and then you would apply some of that $$3\ 1/2$$
- 5 million to the equity equivalent.
- 6 Those numbers have to be configured in various
- 7 combinations. What we did was to create four scenarios to
- 8 just really demonstrate different mechanisms that you
- 9 could undertake depending on where you came out.
- 10 If you look at the criteria that we laid out, you
- 11 know, those were clearly the criteria that are important
- 12 to this program.
- In terms of the weighting of those criteria,
- 14 which is more important, which isn't, that's really a
- 15 decision that you have to make as a board. And that then
- 16 will lead you to some degree to say, "Of these different
- 17 four very viable strategies, which one or ones make the
- 18 most sense given the weighting that we," the Integrated
- 19 Waste Management Board, "place on the different criteria?"
- 20 MR. LA TANNER: I'd like to add to that, for
- 21 example, two of the State loan guarantee offices also are
- 22 CDE and CDFI. So you could actually implement like three
- 23 of these options with one or more of those offices. And
- 24 more are getting into it.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: But going off of what Mr.

1 Eaton's saying, because it's a good point: If we let --

- 2 and this is where you guys got to get your calculators
- 3 together at the next meeting -- if we did a sale and we
- 4 had \$22 million, but one of our options was the loan
- 5 quarantee, where we had to put \$3 1/2 million in,
- 6 according to your thing, I think to get \$10 million or
- 7 whatever it was, and then we look at that repayment
- 8 schedule, at some point you'd said years out we would have
- 9 to make another investment of \$3 1/2 million.
- 10 Okay. Right? I mean that's some of what Mr.
- 11 Eaton's talking about. So we're going to kind of need to
- 12 know for future boards if we do -- you know, the scenario
- 13 could be: If we do a sale, we have this much available
- 14 dollars, we know we can do loan guarantees up to \$10
- 15 million, or whatever, over a period of time taking \$3 1/2
- 16 million of our money and at some point because of that
- 17 loan payment reschedule we're going to have to augment
- 18 that, you know, in year five or year four or year three,
- 19 \$3 1/2 million cash, that would be critical in a long-term
- 20 plan, right, so it works. So when we're looking at that
- 21 --
- 22 MS. ZEIDMAN: If you look at -- right. And,
- 23 again, if you look in the actual report, there are pro
- 24 formas in there that run out for five years. So that will
- 25 give you some sense of that --

- 1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Blended?
- 2 MS. ZEIDMAN: No, they're not blended. For each
- 3 strategy.
- 4 Again, to do the blending requires saying, you
- 5 know, two from Column A and three from Column B and you
- 6 have to figure it out.
- 7 But, yes, there are scenarios that run out -- run
- 8 out over time. So you will see it on individual
- 9 strategies. And then you sort of have to start, you know,
- 10 cutting and pasting depending on which strategies are
- 11 appealing to you.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Because lurking in the
- 13 background -- and I'm sure that you were advised of it,
- 14 but may not have included in, through no fault of your
- 15 own -- is the fact that this whole program expires in
- 16 about three years.
- 17 MS. ZEIDMAN: Right.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: So in other words, any
- 19 long-term strategy on the part of us would have to take
- 20 into consideration how we want to go about doing that.
- 21 And I think it would be obviously pushing for
- 22 reauthorization of it based upon whatever strategies we
- 23 came up with; and, therefore, locking in, you know, the
- 24 funding mechanisms there, too.
- 25 MS. ZEIDMAN: Right. Well, that's where the

- 1 whole notion of sustainable came from.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks.
- 3 Okay. Mr. Steve Lautee from the Oakland/Berkeley
- 4 RMDZ.
- 5 MR. LAUTEE: Thanks a lot. I'm also on the Board
- 6 of the Association of our RMDZs. I want to congratulate
- 7 and thank the CIWMB staff and the consulting staff for
- 8 delivering this report. I know there was a lot of work
- 9 that went into it. Besides the analysis of the leveraging
- 10 options, which is the heart of it, we appreciate the
- 11 analysis of the portfolio itself as far as who's present
- 12 and what type of businesses are present and some of the
- 13 feedback of the entrepreneurs, because I think it will be
- 14 useful -- as Member Eaton mentioned, we're going to have
- 15 to figure out whether we're going to remake this program
- 16 and reauthorize the loan program and what form. And I
- 17 think that formation will be very useful in that regard.
- 18 I also was going to ask about the assumption of
- 19 the \$3 1/2 million contribution from the CIWMB, which you
- 20 just covered, and we could certainly cover in tomorrow's
- 21 workshop, but what form that's going to take. Is that
- 22 annual? Is that principal and interest or something out
- 23 of the IWMA? So I'll just get that on the record here in
- 24 the official hearing.
- 25 The other question was, in the staff report for

- 1 this item, on Page 10 it said there was still a legal
- 2 question of whether the Board can do a loan sale. And so
- 3 with the counsel present here I wondered if you
- 4 could just -- I thought that was resolved, that the Board
- 5 did have statutory authority to execute a loan sale,
- 6 before we went into this consulting report. But that's --
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Yeah, I agree. I think we
- 8 had this issue in one of our very first meetings as a --
- 9 when you guys worked with our staff and with the
- 10 Chairwoman and myself.
- MR. LAUTEE: So, anyhow, that's on Page 10, and
- 12 we can talk about that tomorrow as well. But I want to
- 13 get that on the record here.
- 14 And I'll just wrap up and say that I do look
- 15 forward to tomorrow. I was also going to ask, as John
- 16 did, who we might contact among the consulting team. But
- 17 we have Victor's phone number and we have -- certainly
- 18 have Jim La Tanner's phone number. We got them for -- on
- 19 Friday, and I kept it with me all weekend, and I'm going
- 20 to be sleeping with it tonight. And I'll see you all
- 21 tomorrow.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: He's serious, too.
- 23 Any other --
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Don't like it when a
- 25 page is crinkled.

1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Any other comments from Board

- 2 members.
- 3 Patty, before you wrap up I just want to say, I
- 4 appreciate the RMDZ Zone Administrators, John Davis, Steve
- 5 Lautee, Jim Kuhl, and our friend from Fresno, Leslie, who
- 6 worked with the Chairwoman and myself and our staff in
- 7 trying to look at ways -- the Board had asked the
- 8 Chairwoman and I to help work and find a way to keep this
- 9 program going.
- 10 Clearly, I want to thank our staff for managing
- 11 this contract. It wasn't also easy. I mean they were in
- 12 my office a lot on this thing. But I appreciate the
- 13 product that I've seen and the presentation I've seen
- 14 today. And I think clearly we've got our work cut out for
- 15 us in the future in trying to determine what the puzzle
- 16 is. But you've given us tools now that are more than
- 17 anecdotal information that we can really look at to make
- 18 what is the best choices hopefully to continue to move
- 19 Recycling Market Development Loan Programs to help build
- 20 the infrastructure that's going to take all this collected
- 21 material.
- 22 And so I do thank you all for the work on behalf
- 23 of the Board that's been done, as well as our staff.
- 24 And, Patty Wohl, I will let you tell us the blow
- 25 by blow, including what's on tap for us tomorrow in that

- 1 meeting.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Okay. I'll try and be
- 3 brief so we can almost stick with our 3:00 o'clock
- 4 deadline.
- 5 And, that is, this was a discussion item.
- 6 Tomorrow we are having a special meeting with the zone
- 7 administrators. And we wanted to give them some, you
- 8 know, personal -- and time to go back and forth and kind
- 9 of talk about their concerns. And so that's occurring
- 10 tomorrow afternoon, I believe at 1:30.
- 11 And then we did plan to bring this item to the
- 12 full board in September. At that time, we had really
- 13 planned to sort of say, "What areas would the Board like
- 14 us to focus on?" Because some of these are still
- 15 conceptual. We still would need to contact those
- 16 entities, talk about what their interests rates, what
- 17 their proposal would look like, what kind of criteria,
- 18 before we could really firmly tell you some of that.
- 19 But given the discussion here, I think we --
- 20 we'll be committed to sort of running the numbers on the
- 21 loan sale, so you have a clear picture of that and kind
- 22 of the -- your discussion about if multiple options were
- 23 taken, how would we back that out.
- 24 But what the Board could expect, for example, if
- 25 you decided you wanted to go with the tax equity -- the

1 tax credit, we would have to do some research on that and

- 2 really find out who's interested, who's out there, who
- 3 wants to purchase, whatever their criteria they want to
- 4 live with, and then bring an item back on that specific
- 5 thing to the Board.
- 6 So even though September is kind of a decision,
- 7 it may not be the ultimate decision.
- 8 So that's it.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: And I'm not sure how all the
- 10 Board members feel about it. I mean I would think, just
- 11 personally, that a sale enables to us do things. So I'm
- 12 not promoting just the sale. You know what I'm saying?
- 13 I'm looking at it from the standpoint that it enables us
- 14 to maybe take advantage of these things and other -- there
- 15 may be other options, you know. But I mean --
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Especially, if some of
- 17 them took longer. You know, that could be a first step.
- 18 And then we could decide something else or whatever.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. We're going to take a
- 20 break first. And I do thank all of you, both those that
- 21 spoke, those from Milken. Victor, good to see you. It
- 22 was important to have you because your energy for this
- 23 helps drive these types of issues. So I appreciate that
- 24 energy.
- 25 We're going to take a break for about ten

1 minutes. We'll be back here at a quarter after three, and

- 2 then we will move on to our tire segment of today's show.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I'm going to reconvene our
- 6 Special Waste and Market Development Meeting.
- 7 Any members have ex partes?
- 8 Mr. Eaton.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: I said a quick hello to
- 10 Ben Roth and not -- go back to George Larson who was
- 11 interested in talking to Mr. Paparian.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Mr. Paparian.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I spoke with
- 14 Michael Blumenthal, who no doubt would speak to Mr. Eaton,
- 15 I'm sure.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Yeah, I actually got away
- 17 unscathed. I said -- I thank the folks from Milken.
- 18 We're going to get into this. But just a piece
- 19 of information. I've been informed -- the tire manifest
- 20 issue is a big issue for this Board. It was a huge part
- 21 of SB 876. It's about a 25-minute presentation. They
- 22 have said if we would prefer to hear it at the Board
- 23 meeting, that would be fine.
- 24 I'm going to ask if there are any members of our
- 25 stakeholders today that specifically came up here to talk

1 about the manifest system. I would allow those folks to

- 2 speak. Otherwise we'll hear it in its entirety at our
- 3 Board meeting next month.
- 4 Is there anybody that wants to speak to it today?
- 5 Gary, I think it would be -- I think it would
- 6 make a lot of sense to schedule this -- or it's already on
- 7 the agenda for the Board meeting, correct.
- 8 And it would be heard on the first day, I'm
- 9 assuming? So that we could -- if we get all of our
- 10 business done, we could get it done on the first day.
- If that's good with your folks, I think that
- 12 would allow us to dedicate the time on this first item.
- 13 And then you and Mr. Leary can figure out, you know, what
- 14 time it's going to go on in the Board. And I'll notify
- 15 the Chairwoman that we've moved it to meet at the full
- 16 Board.
- Okay. Mr. Leary, is that good?
- 18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: That works.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: That works?
- 20 All right. Ms. Shirley Willd-Wagner.
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Good afternoon,
- 22 Committee members. Because of the long agenda today, I've
- 23 just got a couple of announcements for the Deputy
- 24 Director's report.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Are we going to do

- 1 considerations first?
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: We had discussed
- 3 leaving -- having the agenda this way. That was --
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: That's right, yeah. That's
- 5 fine. No problem.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: The two
- 7 announcements: I just wanted to remind everyone that on
- 8 Thursday, this Thursday, August 15th, here in the Cal EPA
- 9 building, will be the Special Committee workshop on the
- 10 tire subsidy issue. And we'll be discussing that report
- 11 in length.
- 12 September 19th we're trying -- we're still
- 13 formalizing this workshop, but we're looking at September
- 14 19th as a workshop for the Committee again in Sonoma
- 15 County, probably in Petaluma, to discuss the Sonoma tire
- 16 sites. And we've been working with all of your calendars.
- 17 That will be formally announced fairly soon.
- 18 That's really all I had for the Deputy Director's
- 19 report, so that we can move right into Item G, the
- 20 presentation by the Rubber Manufacturers Association --
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Shirley, hold on one second.
- Mr. Eaton.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: If by chance anyone was
- 24 listening outside these hallowed walls right here and they
- 25 would like to get a copy of the tire subsidy report, where

- 1 would they get it? On our web?
- 2 So you just may want to mention that for the
- 3 public, you know, in the E world. And also, who may be
- 4 here in the offices monitoring it for their client guild.
- 5 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 6 It's actually available through the California State
- 7 University Sacramento web site from Professor Rob
- 8 Wassmer's web page.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Thank you.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks, Mr. Eaton.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Martha Gildart
- 12 will introduce this item as far as the Scrap Tire
- 13 Management Council -- the scrap tire management.
- Jump right in.
- 15 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 16 Martha Gildart with the Special Waste Division.
- 17 It's actually the Rubber Manufacturers
- 18 Association has come today to make a presentation to the
- 19 Board, to speak on a variety of issues dealing with the
- 20 tire rubber and its manufacturing process, some new
- 21 standards, et cetera. The Rubber Manufacturers
- 22 Association is made up mostly of representatives of the
- 23 larger tire manufacturers, and they are also the entity
- 24 that supports the Scrap Tire Management Council, which I
- 25 think Shirley was sort of referring to, which has been a

1 very active organization in trying to get tires recycled

- 2 and properly disposed.
- 3 So I believe Mike Blumenthal is going to be
- 4 introducing the --
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Prior to that, I just wanted
- 6 to say that Mr. Blumenthal had contacted me to ask if this
- 7 group could make a presentation at one of our Committee
- 8 meetings, at which point I said, yeah, and kind of turned
- 9 him over to Martha.
- 10 I know Mr. Paparian has got something to say
- 11 prior to this presentation.
- 12 Mr. Paparian.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, thank you, Mr.
- 14 Jones.
- 15 I did speak with Mr. Blumenthal a couple of weeks
- 16 ago, and we had a good conversation. I think it was clear
- 17 to me, at that point, that there were some misconceptions
- 18 about my motivations or the motivations of others who
- 19 supported our contracts that we put out on encouraging
- 20 increased recycled content in tires and improving mileage
- 21 of tires.
- I think this has been cleared up. Hopefully
- 23 we'll find out more about that today. And as a result,
- 24 hopefully we don't have to spend a whole lot of time on
- 25 some of the related issues like the National Highway

1 Traffic Safety Administration proposed rules for tire

- 2 durability and safety. I kind of view those as a
- 3 peripheral issue to some of the things that we really want
- 4 to pursue here at the Waste Board.
- 5 In overcoming some of these misconceptions about
- 6 the motivations behind our contracts that are out there
- 7 for recycled content and longer lived tires, I believe
- 8 we've reached the stage where we can enter into a dialogue
- 9 about how the industry and the Waste Board can work
- 10 together to encourage the use of tires with higher
- 11 recycled content and longer lived tires.
- 12 Hopefully Mr. Blumenthal has prepped his clients
- 13 on some of this. I haven't had a chance to look at the
- 14 overheads yet, but hopefully some of this in there. And I
- 15 think it's important that we look to being able to work
- 16 together on some of these issues.
- 17 Mr. Blumenthal and I had an interesting
- 18 interchange about the potential to use
- 19 California-generated crumb rubber in the mixture that is
- 20 used in the recycled content in new tires. We discussed
- 21 the potential of overcoming this problem of distance to
- 22 the manufacturing plants in some creative ways. And I
- 23 know that there are several of the crumb rubber folks from
- 24 California here in the room who I'm sure would be anxious
- 25 to feed this market if we could deal with overcoming some

- 1 of those obstacles.
- I hope that, you know, we're prepared to talk
- 3 about how we can work in partnership on some of these
- 4 issues.
- 5 And, finally, I'll just mention I've taken a look
- 6 at some of the recycling and environmental policies of
- 7 some of the companies that are going to be testifying here
- 8 today. And I do have some specific questions for each of
- 9 them, as well as Mr. Blumenthal. So again hopefully we
- 10 can find some good ways to work together and with other
- 11 stakeholders towards increasing recycled content in tires
- 12 in California and reducing the amount of waste tires
- 13 generated in California.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks, Mr. Paparian.
- MS. NORBURG: Good afternoon, Board Members. My
- 16 names is Tracy Norburg, and I'm the Vice President for
- 17 Environment and Research Recovery of the Rubber
- 18 Manufacturers Association. And our department basically
- 19 is the area where the scrap tire activities all happen.
- 20 So we're very pleased to be here today.
- 21 And I'd like to just briefly, before the actual
- 22 formal presentation begins, introduce the folks that we
- 23 brought along, so that you have an idea of who's on our
- 24 team here today.
- 25 I think everyone here or many people here know

- 1 Michael Blumenthal very well. He's our resident scrap
- 2 tire expert. And he's very willing at any time to share
- 3 information with California.
- 4 We also brought our State Issues Managers, John
- 5 Falardo, who is sitting right behind me here.
- And then -- so that's three on our staff,
- 7 including me. And then we also have five member company
- 8 representatives here, several of which will give parts of
- 9 our presentation this afternoon.
- 10 First, we have Tom Wood from Cooper Tire and
- 11 Rubber Company; Lynn Cooper from Michelin North America;
- 12 Dan Pynowski from the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company;
- 13 John Sharon from Bridgestone-Firestone; and Senot Baubsar
- 14 from the Yokohama Tire Company.
- 15 We view this opportunity really as a chance for
- 16 us to share information to you -- with you, rather, about
- 17 issues that are really integral to the tire industry, so
- 18 that we can all, as you say, begin a dialogue in a
- 19 meaningful way on scrap tire issues.
- 20 And with that I'd like to turn it over to Tom
- 21 Wood, who's the Chairman of our Environment Committee, to
- 22 give you an overview.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- Mr. Wood, just a piece of housekeeping.
- 25 Would the record reflect that Senator Roberti is

- 1 here.
- 2 Senator, any ex partes?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: No ex partes.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 5 Mr. Wood, appreciate it.
- 6 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 7 presented as follows.)
- 8 MR. WOOD: Good afternoon, gentlemen. Again, my
- 9 name is Tom Wood, and I am the Director of Corporate
- 10 Environmental Affairs for the Cooper Tire and Rubber
- 11 Company. We're based in Finley, Ohio. I'm pleased to be
- 12 here in California.
- 13 My task today is to give you a brief introduction
- 14 to the Rubber Manufacturers Association. Before I do
- 15 that, what I'd like to do is to give you a brief outline
- 16 on the other topics that we're going to cover in our
- 17 presentation.
- 18 We plan to tell you some challenges and
- 19 opportunities facing the tire industry today regarding
- 20 tire performance, testing, and safety. We also plan to
- 21 talk about some tire design issues.
- 22 And I think both of these topics will give you
- 23 the idea that tire design is certainly not a static entity
- 24 at this point. On the contrary, it is very much still in
- 25 development. As new regulations come about, as

1 manufacturers attempt to improve their product and what

- 2 not, the tire design certainly is not a static
- 3 proposition.
- 4 As expected, we are planning to talk in detail
- 5 about scrap tire management issues, including presenting
- 6 some scrap tire management statistics that we think you'll
- 7 find very encouraging. And we plan to conclude our
- 8 discussion with a discussion of how we might coordinate
- 9 activities with the Board in the future.
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- 11 MR. WOOD: Now, as for the overview of the Rubber
- 12 Manufacturers Association. It is the U.S. Trade
- 13 Association for the rubber manufacturing industry. It
- 14 represents all the major tire manufacturers in the U.S.
- 15 and over 100 engineer product manufacturers located in
- 16 U.S.
- 17 It is a member-driven organization. The members,
- 18 with the assistance of the RMA staff, advocate industry
- 19 positions on laws and regulations, set tire safety and
- 20 performance standards, assist in the development of scrap
- 21 tire markets and technical information and resources
- 22 regarding scrap tires, coordinate the development of
- 23 technical standards for engineered products, develop
- 24 industry statistics and information, and communicate on
- 25 industry issues.

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- 2 MR. WOOD: The tire company members of the Rubber
- 3 Manufacturers Association are Bridgestone-Firestone,
- 4 Michelin North America, Continental, Goodyear Tire and
- 5 Rubber Company, Cooper Tire and Rubber Company, Pirelli,
- 6 and Yokohama. And as you may recall from the
- 7 introductions, most of these companies are represented
- 8 here today.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 MR. WOOD: We thought you might be interested in
- 11 the industry presence in California. We've put together
- 12 this information regarding 323 company stores that are
- 13 located in California; 595 independent retail outlets; 28
- 14 commercial tire service centers, some of which include
- 15 retread operations. There's one retail zone office, six
- 16 retail district offices, six distribution centers, and one
- 17 corporate headquarters for North American operations. So
- 18 really we have quite a presence here in California.
- 19 --00--
- 20 MR. WOOD: As Tracy mentioned, there are two RMA
- 21 committees that deal with environmental issues. One is
- 22 the Environment Committee. And as she mentioned, I'm
- 23 currently the chairman of that committee. We also have
- 24 the Scrap Tire Committee. And Dan Pynowski Goodyear is
- 25 currently the chairman of that committee. And he'll speak

- 1 in a few minutes.
- 2 Typically, the committee members are
- 3 environmental professionals within their companies and
- 4 have responsibility for environmental issues.
- 5 --00--
- 6 MR. WOOD: I mentioned earlier that one of the
- 7 key functions of the RMA is to advocate member positions
- 8 on government laws and regulations, regarding
- 9 environmental issues, tire members, through the RMA,
- 10 promote sound science, educate government and industry
- 11 needs and issues, support environmental progress that is
- 12 technically and economically sound, protect formulation
- 13 and manufacturing flexibility and confidentiality, and
- 14 encourage opportunities for innovation. In addition,
- 15 individual member companies also have environmental goals
- 16 and policies.
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- 18 MR. WOOD: Some examples of those environmental
- 19 goals and policies and environmental progress in various
- 20 companies are corporate commitments to environmental
- 21 improvement; implementation of environmental management
- 22 systems that conform to ISO 14001, the International
- 23 Environmental Management System Standard; reduction in the
- 24 use and release of toxic chemicals; reduction in the
- 25 generation of hazardous waste; increased recycling of

1 manufacturing waste and scrap tires; increased retreading

- 2 of used tires; development of fuel efficient tires; and
- 3 use of reusable containers and facilities.
- 4 That concludes the RMA overview portion of our
- 5 presentation. Now I'd like to introduce Lynn Cooper,
- 6 who's going to talk about some tire industry challenges
- 7 and opportunities.
- 8 MR. COOPER: Thank you, Tom.
- 9 My name is Lynn Cooper. I'm the Corporate
- 10 Environmental Manager for Michelin North America,
- 11 headquartered in Greenville, South Carolina.
- 12 I want to talk a little bit about some tire
- 13 industry accomplishments.
- 14 One of the biggest and most recent
- 15 accomplishments is lower rolling resistance in tires,
- 16 which increases fuel economy. I say recent. But a number
- 17 of years ago when the radial tire was developed, the
- 18 rolling resistance was cut in half. Rolling resistance is
- 19 the force that you have to overcome in order to move an
- 20 automobile.
- 21 Further developments have occurred that have
- 22 decreased the rolling resistance by another 50 percent.
- 23 And basically the tire contributes about 20 percent to the
- 24 fuel usage of an automobile. More recent developments
- 25 have reduced that by 20 percent or resulting in an

1 improvement of four percent in gas mileage. And when you

- 2 think about what that means in terms of fuel economy,
- 3 that's pretty substantial.
- 4 Another issue is a reduction in quantity of raw
- 5 materials used to make tires. When the radial tire was
- 6 introduced the reduction in raw materials requirements was
- 7 an immediate 30 percent, and subsequent to that over the
- 8 years tires have been developed that are lighter in
- 9 weight, using lighter materials and different design and
- 10 construction that have substantially reduced that amount
- 11 since then.
- 12 Also, the average tire life -- since 1981, the
- 13 average tire life has increased by 53 percent.
- 14 --000--
- 15 MR. COOPER: If you look at the chart, you can
- 16 see there's been a consistent improvement in the tire
- 17 mileage. And, in fact, some tires have guarantees of up
- 18 to 80,000 miles if they're properly maintained.
- 19 The issue of tire maintenance is one of the
- 20 issues that we're going to talk about a little later on in
- 21 the presentation.
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- MR. COOPER: Also, as far as retreading is
- 24 concerned, there are 16 -- over 16 million tires retreaded
- 25 in 2001. Those are primarily truck tires. Passenger

1 tires, because of tire maintenance and the number of other

- 2 issues, are not retreaded, where truck tires are
- 3 consistently retreaded. And several of the RMA member
- 4 companies have substantial retread operations.
- 5 As far as the recycled content in new tires, 15
- 6 percent of the crumb rubber market goes into new tires.
- 7 And that percentage of crumb rubber in new tires is
- 8 limited by tire performance requirements, some of those
- 9 which we'll talk about a little later.
- 10 --00o--
- 11 MR. COOPER: There are a number of changes in the
- 12 tire industry, some of those being the new tire
- 13 performance and testing standards. These are being
- 14 developed to some degree as a result of the TREAD Act.
- 15 And we'll hear a little bit more about that later.
- 16 Also changes in tire design trends such as size,
- 17 type, rolling resistance, change in tire materials,
- 18 rubbers, fillers, oils, other additives.
- 19 The industry has continually reduced solvent
- 20 usage in the assembly of tires, making some dramatic
- 21 environmental improvements in that area.
- 22 One of the problems that we face is competition
- 23 from cheap imported tires. Because the tires that we're
- 24 producing in the United States have to meet certain
- 25 requirements. Some of the tires produced in other

1 countries do not have to meet those requirements.

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- 3 MR. COOPER: Now, also, we're talking about new
- 4 environmental regulations that we're facing. The National
- 5 Emission Standards Hazards Air Pollutant regulations, part
- 6 of the Clean Air Act. Air toxics rules were passed in
- 7 July of this year. And new limits were set for tire
- 8 production, tire cord production, and puncture sealing
- 9 applications. This will require some additional changes
- 10 in tire design, and also it will require manufacturing
- 11 changes as well.
- 12 Existing facilities must comply by July of 2005.
- 13 --000--
- MR. COOPER: The tire industry's a dynamic
- 15 industry. There are new evolving products, and they
- 16 demand new materials and rubber compounds.
- Take example, the run-flat technology. I have a
- 18 sample here of one type of run-flat technology. And I'll
- 19 pass this sample around in a minute. But you'll notice
- 20 the area around the beads is much larger. If you don't
- 21 have any air in the tire, then you have to have some sort
- 22 of mechanical way of being able to keep the tire from
- 23 unseating from the rim. So you'll notice the kind of
- 24 unique design around the -- around the bead area.
- 25 You'll notice that in this particular design, one

1 of the sidewalls is longer than the other sidewall. And

- 2 that is to improve the handling and stability of the tire.
- 3 There are a number of other features of this tire
- 4 that you'll notice. And one of the things you'll notice
- 5 also when I pass this around is you'll look at the little
- 6 lines in here that show that tires are made up of quite a
- 7 lot of different types of materials. So it's not just
- 8 like you're taking a piece of rubber and putting it into a
- 9 mold and curing it and out comes a tire. It involves the
- 10 assembly of a large number of individual products in order
- 11 to be able to put the tire together. And the tire is a
- 12 very high technology item.
- 13 --000--
- 14 MR. COOPER: Also, another evolving situation is
- 15 silica tread. The silica tread was developed a few years
- 16 ago. And as I mentioned rolling resistance, it
- 17 dramatically improved the rolling resistance.
- 18 Specialty products present another problem in the
- 19 bias tires -- aircraft, farm, mobile homes, mini-spares.
- 20 There's a lot of evolving work being done now to make
- 21 these bias tires into radial tires. So there's a lot of
- 22 extra work that goes into that as well.
- 23 And then there are emerging technologies and
- 24 trends, such as the recycle content in tires. The recycle
- 25 content in tires is something that all of the tire

1 manufacturers are working on, trying to find ways to do

- 2 this without compromising the quality and the performance
- 3 of the tire.
- 4 And then there's the low-profile or
- 5 large-diameter tires for passenger cars. I'm sure all of
- 6 you have seen the low-profile tire. And if you'll notice
- 7 that run-flat tire is a very low-profile tire. That's in
- 8 contrast to perhaps the -- more or less the standard tire.
- 9 This is a high performance tire. So, you see, it already
- 10 has a lower profile than your standard passenger tire. It
- 11 also has a wider tread. You can also see in this the
- 12 broad variety of different type of materials that go into
- 13 making it. And you can see the difference between the
- 14 run-flat tire and this tire, because the run-flat tire has
- 15 a much shorter sidewall. The sidewall has to be a lot
- 16 stiffer and resist against the compression that you would
- 17 have if all the pressure was going out of the tire.
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- 19 MR. COOPER: The industry is globalized, as most
- 20 industries have been today, and there are a number of
- 21 technical and environmental regulations that affect tire
- 22 content, performance and testing. Evaporative emissions,
- 23 material content restrictions, a number of other things
- 24 like that that create the need to be able to manufacturer
- 25 tires for multiple markets. To do that you have to have a

1 robust tire. The tire has to be able to withstand more

- 2 pressures and different climatic conditions than what you
- 3 would normally have. If you would design a tire that
- 4 would work in the Sahara desert and a tire that would work
- 5 at the North Pole, you can understand the differences
- 6 that the -- because right now automobile manufacturers
- 7 will sell their products anywhere in the world they can
- 8 sell them. So if they put tires on here in the U.S, and
- 9 transport them to some other part of the world, then those
- 10 tires have to be capable of being able to operate under
- 11 those conditions.
- 12 Also, the TREAD Act, which was passed in 2000 --
- 13 and, as you know, regulations are in the development
- 14 stage, so we don't know all of the impacts. But we'll
- 15 discuss that a little further later.
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- 17 MR. COOPER: Then as far as tire design factors
- 18 are concerned: The tire's a balance. It's a -- you have
- 19 tradeoffs that you have to consider. There's load
- 20 strength, endurance, traction, speed rating, noise,
- 21 rolling resistance, temperature resistance, tread wear,
- 22 tire life, recycle content in tires. All of those things
- 23 go together to make it a real challenge to be able to have
- 24 a balance in tire.
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1 MR. COOPER: There are tradeoffs. And if you

- 2 look at it to meet some of these challenges of the tire
- 3 design in the future, if you look at what you're going to
- 4 have to do in the tread area, reenforcement of the trade
- 5 area, it's going to require higher strength -- tensile
- 6 strength steel. And that's going to mean probably more
- 7 weight, rubber used for added strength. You need
- 8 different types of rubber. You need different types of
- 9 anti-degrading type compounds in there, anti-oxidants,
- 10 anti-oxidants. And those type of materials will generally
- 11 cost more, add more weight to the tire.
- 12 And then also to improve the rigidity of the
- 13 sidewall, like for the run-flat, you have to be able to do
- 14 that. But the thing of it is, a rigid sidewall generally
- 15 means poor rolling resistance and also more heat buildup.
- 16 And heat buildup is what generally causes a problem with
- 17 the tire wear, with destruction of the tire.
- 18 And then also better air retention. The tire has
- 19 an inner liner, which is made out of a different type of
- 20 rubber from the rest of the tire. And that inner liner
- 21 has to bond to the tire. And not only that, but it has to
- 22 be impermeable. If you want it to be more impermeable,
- 23 you either have to develop new materials or you're going
- 24 to have to use a thicker type material so that it will
- 25 take a longer period of time for the air to pass through

- 1 it.
- 2 This is an SUV tire. As you can see, it has some
- 3 characteristics that are the same and some that are
- 4 different. And it has a much longer sidewall. And also
- 5 it has a different bead, different bead, different rubber
- 6 type construction in the sidewall and on the tread than
- 7 you would have in, say, a high-speed, high-performance
- 8 tire, speed-rated type tire.
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- 10 MR. COOPER: The limitation is, how do we improve
- 11 the durability of the tire -- the tire carcass to ensure
- 12 that the tire wears out rather than blows out and also
- 13 maintains good rolling resistance and any other desirable
- 14 characteristics that we want in the tire?
- We know, for example, that the silica tread made
- 16 some improvements in rolling resistance, also in fuel
- 17 economy, longer life, and even in traction. But it has
- 18 its limitations as well.
- 19 Bottom line is: Tires cannot be designed for
- 20 maximum performance in all areas. It involves tradeoffs.
- 21 To meet not only the customer's needs, but also to meet
- 22 the performance demands that they have: Gas mileage,
- 23 safety, any other performance requirements, handling and
- 24 so forth.
- 25 So now I'm going to turn the podium over to John

- 1 Falardo of the RMA.
- 2 MR. FALARDO: Good afternoon, Chairman Jones,
- 3 Members of the Board. My name is John Falardo. I am with
- 4 the RMA in Washington DC.
- 5 I'm going to talk a little bit about the TREAD
- 6 Act. The TREAD Act -- TREAD is an acronym for the
- 7 Transportation, Recall, Enhancement, Accountability, and
- 8 Documentation Act -- was signed into law on November 1st
- 9 of 2000.
- 10 And it mandates that 12 separate NHTSA rulings --
- 11 NHTSA being the National Highway Traffic Safety
- 12 Administration, an arm of the Federal Department of
- 13 Transportation -- and that that federal agency, NHTSA, is
- 14 the one mandated by Congress in the law to carry out the
- 15 language on the TREAD Act. And the TREAD Act of course
- 16 was in response to the -- congressional response to recall
- 17 6.5 million tires in August of 2000, two years ago.
- 18 A sample of the key rule makings with potential
- 19 to affect the tire construction and performance are tire
- 20 testing and tire pressure monitoring systems.
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- 22 MR. FALARDO: Regarding tire testing. This rule
- 23 was proposed in March of this year. The proposal includes
- 24 updated tests for high speed and endurance; new tests for
- 25 road hazard, bead unseating, low inflation, and affects of

- 1 tire aging.
- 2 The RMA believes that this proposal would set
- 3 overly stringent standards. In fact, NHTSA's proposal
- 4 would mandate that 30 percent of tires already on the road
- 5 would fail. We believe the current tires are safe. New
- 6 tests would require over-engineered tires, could require
- 7 pneumatic changes in tire construction and performance,
- 8 and that tires were tested in a non-real world
- 9 environment.
- 10 RMA has filed comments that reflect these views.
- 11 And a file ruling is expected in fall of this year.
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- MR. FALARDO: In regard to tire pressure
- 14 monitoring system, the final rule was published in May of
- 15 this year, and it mandates the tire pressure monitoring
- 16 systems on all new cars and light trucks starting with
- 17 2004 models. System will notify drivers when a tire's
- 18 inflation pressure is 25 or 30 percent below placket
- 19 pressure.
- 20 Here RMA is concerned that this will allow some
- 21 tires to operate in inflation pressures that are
- 22 insufficient to carry the vehicle load.
- 23 And RMA's advocating that NHTSA adopt a reserve
- 24 pressure standard, and has filed a petition at NHTSA
- 25 stating such.

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- 2 MR. FALARDO: I'm going to move on to an RMA
- 3 program called the Be Tire Smart program. This is a
- 4 multi-year, multi-million dollar campaign to educate
- 5 consumers about the proper care and safety of their tires.
- 6 In fact an RMA survey recently found out that nearly 90
- 7 percent of motorists incorrectly check tire pressure, if
- 8 at all. This, of course, states that only 10 percent of
- 9 people are properly checking their tires once a month.
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- 11 MR. FALARDO: The goals of Be Tire
- 12 Smart/Play Your PART program are as follows: To
- 13 communicate tire safety information to policymakers in the
- 14 public, to establish key partnerships to enhance message
- 15 delivery of RMA tire safety programs, and to raise
- 16 consumer awareness of the importance of proper tire care
- 17 and safety.
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- 19 MR. FALARDO: Be Tire Smart/Play Your PART --
- 20 PART is also an acronym, and that is for pressure,
- 21 alignment, rotation, and tread, the four key elements of
- 22 proper tire care.
- 23 Proper tire care maximizes safety, performance,
- 24 fuel economy and tire wear. Underinflation, the RMA
- 25 believes, is tires' number one enemy. And operating a

- 1 tire at just 20 percent underinflated levels increases
- 2 fuel consumption by 10 percent and reduces tread life by
- 3 as much as 15 percent. What this comes down to, that a
- 4 tire that is supposed to run 30 PSI is running at 24 PSI
- 5 increases fuel consumption by 10 percent and reduces the
- 6 tread life by as much as 15.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: PSI is?
- 8 MR. FALARDO: Pounds per square inch.
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- 10 MR. FALARDO: I'm now going to turn this over to
- 11 the Chairman of the Scrap Tire Committee, Dan Pynowski,
- 12 with Goodyear.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Can I ask you a quick
- 14 question before you leave?
- MR. FALARDO: Yes, sir.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: On that one side you said 25
- 17 or 30 percent -- 25 percent or 30 percent?
- 18 MR. FALARDO: 25 to 30.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: -- percent. Okay.
- 20 All right. Not a problem.
- I understood. I just wanted to make sure.
- 22 MR. PYNOWSKI: Good afternoon. My name's Dan
- 23 Pynowski. I'm with Goodyear. I'm in the Global
- 24 Environmental Services Department. And our corporate
- 25 headquarters for the world is in Akron, Ohio.

1 And we're certainly -- most of the members here

- 2 have a long experience with scrap tires or finding
- 3 solutions for scrap tires. And I personally feel
- 4 passionate about it, having dealt with this for many
- 5 decades, basically.
- 6 And I'd like to give you an overview of what this
- 7 committee does, formally called the Scrap Tire Management
- 8 Council. It's now part of the RMA. And it continues to
- 9 have the mission of promoting the environmentally and
- 10 economically sound management of scrap tires.
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- MR. PYNOWSKI: All right. Our goals are
- 13 primarily to eliminate all the scrap tire piles that are
- 14 in the U.S, of course in an environmentally and
- 15 economically sound manner, as well as promoting the annual
- 16 generation of those tires. We'll see later some graphs
- 17 that show that currently there's about 281 million scrap
- 18 tires in the U.S., on average one generated per every
- 19 citizen of the U.S.
- 20 The public awareness piece has been a large
- 21 portion as well. Michael's traveled the country making
- 22 presentations involving conferences, et cetera, to talk
- 23 about the raising awareness as well as some of the success
- 24 stories. And we certainly have been an advocate for
- 25 legislative easement of most states in helping to develop

- 1 regulatory vehicles for managing scrap tires.
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- 3 MR. PYNOWSKI: This whole committee began in
- 4 1990. And it was sponsored directly by tire
- 5 manufacturers. It has worked closely with the
- 6 governments, federal as well as states, end-users, nine
- 7 government organizations, and the general public, to
- 8 attempt to accomplish our goals. And we'll see in a graph
- 9 that we've tremendously increased the usage of these
- 10 tires.
- 11 And right now the scrap tires are one of the most
- 12 utilized post-consumer products in the U.S., and that
- 13 RMA's recognized by the state and federal governments in
- 14 many ways and shapes and forms as the leading source of
- 15 this information. And certainly Michael is our advocate
- 16 and certainly a wealth of knowledge and certainly
- 17 resources tapped by almost anyone and everyone in the
- 18 industry.
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- 20 MR. PYNOWSKI: Some of the things that we have
- 21 done is to hold conferences, state, regionally, to
- 22 build -- to transfer some of the information and
- 23 technology that we -- and success stories that we have
- 24 had. And that we've championed creation of American
- 25 Society Testing Materials' specifications to make uniform

1 standards for things like ground rubber, civil engineering

- 2 applications and tire-derived fuel. There's been
- 3 tremendous work I believe supported in determining any
- 4 contaminants that might leach from tires when placed in
- 5 landfills, used in civil engineering applications above or
- 6 below, you know, water tables, you know, whether it's in
- 7 contact with water or just in contact with the ground.
- 8 Certainly, there are libraries filled with
- 9 information. And the web site that the RMA does maintain
- 10 has got tremendous amount of information on air emissions
- 11 as well as other technical information.
- 12 --00o--
- 13 MR. PYNOWSKI: And we worked hard recently to try
- 14 to develop better numbers on what's the real quantity of
- 15 tires in stockpiles in the various states.
- We currently are hosting a number of conferences
- 17 and stakeholder groups to educate them on a variety of
- 18 subjects. We've brought together both regulators, the
- 19 users -- and users, producers and the public, and we've
- 20 been able to provide strategic advice to steer folks in
- 21 the right direction in terms of being able to come up with
- 22 proper solutions that support our mission statement.
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- MR. PYNOWSKI: Now, I mentioned about the
- 25 stockpiles. Back in 1990, I believe EPA actually

1 estimated about one billion tires in stockpiles. By the

- 2 mid-nineties the estimate was around 500 million.
- 3 Currently we've estimated about 300 million. Some of this
- 4 is due to fires. Some of this is due to use.
- 5 And some is just better inventory techniques.
- 6 Initially in 1990 there were some just estimates out
- 7 there. But the states have gone out and tried to identify
- 8 where those are at and tried to put a quantity to those
- 9 since that time.
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- 11 MR. PYNOWSKI: And this graph shows the dramatic
- 12 increase. The red line shows the percent usage of the
- 13 scrap tires generated. And last year we were at 77.6
- 14 percent reuse rate of that 281 million I had mentioned.
- 15 So 218 million tires last year were finding some sort of
- 16 reuse recovery or recycling.
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- 18 MR. PYNOWSKI: This breaks down predominantly the
- 19 tire-derived fuel. But also civil engineering and ground
- 20 rubber markets are increasing, and that the landfill and
- 21 unknown such as stockpile or ending up on abandoned
- 22 vehicles or what have you has been decreasing.
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- 24 MR. PYNOWSKI: In comparison with some other
- 25 selected classically recycled materials, scrap tires does

1 hold it's own quite well in many of these categories as

- 2 well.
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- 4 MR. PYNOWSKI: A summary of state programs
- 5 shows -- the top part is primarily dealing with scrap
- 6 tires in landfills -- that some states have no landfill
- 7 restrictions whatsoever; some ban both whole and scrap
- 8 tires from landfills; and a good third of the states
- 9 allows some sort of monofill, which is a dedicated
- 10 landfill just for scrap tires. These are not whole;
- 11 usually shredded to some degree; maybe quartered or
- 12 shredded before they go into a landfill.
- 13 A good majority do allow landfilling of shredded
- 14 tires, but most do ban whole tires from landfills.
- Most states have fees that are collected as part
- 16 of the -- a vehicle to fund programs, management programs.
- 17 And just about all states other than Delaware and Alaska
- 18 have regulations on the books. And Delaware's working on
- 19 something. We're thinking about that right now.
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- 21 MR. PYNOWSKI: I mentioned most states have fees
- 22 collected. Primarily it's based on tire sales at the
- 23 point of sale. And usually is anywhere from 25 cents to
- 24 \$2 per tire. Some states do have it on vehicle
- 25 registrations and collect a fee at that point in time.

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1 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Chairman.
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Senator.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Getting back to one of
- 4 your slightly earlier statistics, you said that the
- 5 recycling rate for tires is 77 percent?
- 6 MR. PYNOWSKI: That's right.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: That includes burning
- 8 for fuel, I take it?
- 9 MR. PYNOWSKI: Yes.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: How much of that is up
- 11 for fuel and how much is for new products?
- MR. PYNOWSKI: 41 percent of that number.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Forty-one percent of
- 14 the 77 or 41 percent --
- MR. PYNOWSKI: That's of the total.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Of the total?
- 17 So a number of states burn a lot more tires than
- 18 we do?
- 19 MR. PYNOWSKI: Oh, yes. Because California is
- 20 definitely leading that average, but their distribution is
- 21 different than the national average in that your crumb
- 22 rubber and rubber that's used for, say, rubber-modified
- 23 asphalt products is greater than fuel use.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: I have no reason to
- 25 doubt you. But it just strikes as awfully high, because

1 we bury so many tires in California. And I suspect, just

- 2 my very layman's knowledge of what other states do, you
- 3 know, see these horrendously large tire monofills.
- 4 MR. PYNOWSKI: Well, many of those are coming
- 5 from stockpiles too, trying to prevent fires and, you
- 6 know, moving those into a monofill or a landfill. But we
- 7 do work very closely with many of the cement hills,
- 8 fuel -- waste to energy, I guess it's called, facilities,
- 9 pulp or paper mills. There's something like 60 cement
- 10 kilns that currently burn tires, whole primarily, but some
- 11 don't -- shredded, say --
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, we in California
- 13 find it very difficult to permit a cement kiln -- I think
- 14 we have a few. But, by and large, they're difficult to
- 15 permit, so I'm assuming that they're easier to permit in
- 16 other states.
- MR. PYNOWSKI: Yes, in fact in some states it's
- 18 encouraged because the metric NOX, or nitrogen oxides, are
- 19 reduced versus burning coal and, therefore, in some states
- 20 in order to make their state implementation plan they've
- 21 encouraged the cement kilns.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: So tire burning is not
- 23 quite as undesirable as coal burning, that may be true.
- 24 We don't have that -- we don't burn coal out here too
- 25 much --

1 MR. PYNOWSKI: And it depends if it's high or low

- 2 sulphur coal too, of course.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, I'm interested
- 4 with your statistics because I -- I mean it's always --
- 5 It's been my impression that -- certainly in California we
- 6 have a need to find a tremendous number of more uses for
- 7 used tires. And I've been under the impression, the
- 8 feeling, prejudice, whatever you want to call it, that the
- 9 industry growth, it was relatively content that we should
- 10 just bury them. And the statistics that sort of stick in
- 11 my mind are that we generate 20 million tires a year, and
- 12 in Azusa alone it's 11 million, and I don't know how many
- 13 in other places like Copperopolis --
- 14 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Nothing yet.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Nothing yet.
- And that's not talking about the illegal dump
- 17 sites. So whatever -- I'm interested in your data. But I
- 18 do have this bug in my head that tells me that the
- 19 industry by and large hasn't worked too hard at looking
- 20 for alternative uses. But your statistics are
- 21 interesting; 77 percent's awfully high.
- MR. PYNOWSKI: Well, Michael's got some
- 23 statistics specifically in California. And see how that
- 24 compares with, you know, what our understanding of it is.
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Can I just follow-up?

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Yeah, go ahead.
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- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: My understanding, in
- 3 Europe -- I want to know if you know about this -- that
- 4 Europe is planning to ban -- the EU is planning to ban
- 5 tire shreds from going to landfills in the next year or
- 6 two, and then whole tires at some point in the next five
- 7 six years.
- 8 MR. PYNOWSKI: That's correct, yes.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: And then at the same
- 10 time, kind of on the other end of things, my understanding
- 11 is they have some new cement kiln air quality regulations
- 12 going into effect in a few years that -- the speculation
- 13 from the tire companies in Europe is that that's going to
- 14 greatly reduce the amount of tires in cement kilns in
- 15 Europe. Are you familiar with that?
- MR. PYNOWSKI: Yes. And that would have an
- 17 impact. It primarily impacts the older cement kilns with
- 18 older technologies. But those are ones that are good
- 19 candidates for scrap tires because they have greater
- 20 energy consumption and have a greater economic driver to
- 21 use scrap tires as an alternative fuel. But you're
- 22 correct in your statement.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: If we were to adopt
- 24 similar air quality requirements in the United States, do
- 25 you think that would reduce the number of tires going to

- 1 the cement kilns in the United States?
- 2 MR. PYNOWSKI: It depends on which area of air
- 3 quality, because with the high sulfur coal we're
- 4 definitely reducing the sulfur emissions as well as the
- 5 nitro -- oxide emissions compared to coal. And this is
- 6 just supplement. This isn't full blown taking tires and
- 7 burning all of them. This is supplementing anywhere from
- 8 10 to 15 percent. Many kilns are permitted for much more,
- 9 but they only burn maybe 10, 15 percent of their total
- 10 fuel needs. So it's more of a supplement.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll hold on until
- 12 after the presentation.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: One thing on your 77 percent,
- 14 because it's always been a number that's really bothered.
- 15 Are you saying then that the other 23 percent go
- 16 into stockpiles? Because the stockpiles that exist
- 17 throughout the nation are being fed into those end uses,
- 18 which means tires in the flow aren't going into those end
- 19 uses. So they got to be going in somewhere.
- 20 MR. PYNOWSKI: Yeah, they've got to be displacing
- 21 in some case.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Right. So that 77 percent,
- 23 or whatever that number is, really is tires that are in
- 24 existing stockpiles and then some portion of the flow?
- MR. PYNOWSKI: You can't really -- there's no

1 real records or information to be able to break those two

- 2 flows apart. But there are tires, no doubt, coming from
- 3 stockpiles going into these markets, for sure.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: As a policy maker, when the
- 5 statement is made that 77 percent of all tires are being
- 6 recycled, it gives the impression then that means that the
- 7 yearly generation of all tires, 77 percent are being
- 8 recycled. And what I'm asking is, some of those tires are
- 9 coming out of piles?
- 10 MR. PYNOWSKI: That's correct.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: So in essence it's not 77
- 12 percent. It's a number equal to 77 percent of the flow.
- 13 But it's not 77 percent of the tires that are being
- 14 removed from vehicles in any given year that are being
- 15 recycled.
- 16 MR. PYNOWSKI: We'd have to be careful how we
- 17 state it then that there's an estimated 281 million scrap
- 18 tires generated and 218 million were recovered, reused or
- 19 recycled, which include both the stockpiles as well as
- 20 the --
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Right. And it just becomes
- 22 problematic for a state regulator that is trying to put
- 23 programs together in a state to hear from the rubber
- 24 manufacturers that in fact 77 percent of all tires are
- 25 recycled. That is a problem when it comes to how we put

1 programs together, because it gives the impression that

- 2 there is no problem. And, clearly, there has been and is
- 3 a problem, right? Otherwise you guys wouldn't be here.
- 4 MR. PYNOWSKI: Well, until we can eradicate all
- 5 the piles, then yes. I mean that's still part of goal as
- 6 well, to handle all the take-outs --
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: How many tires would
- 8 you estimate are in all the piles?
- 9 MR. PYNOWSKI: Three hundred million.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Nationwide?
- 11 MR. PYNOWSKI: That's correct. And we have
- 12 breakdowns by STATE as well.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, then I want to
- 14 just ditto what our chairman has said. And I understand
- 15 you're presenting a case to us, and we appreciate that.
- 16 But you could be giving us an impression that there just
- 17 isn't a problem because 77 percent figure is startling
- 18 high. And the Chairman has hit on the point. You know,
- 19 you're talking about the stuff you're mining out of the
- 20 piles from a reserve of 300 million. That's a much
- 21 different picture.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Just One other thing.
- 23 I'm sorry. I can't let this go. It's more of a topic for
- 24 I think Thursday. But when it's stated that 77 percent of
- 25 the tires are being recycled, I dispute that. I don't

- 1 think that the incineration of tires is recycling of
- 2 tires. And I think the European counterparts of some of
- 3 the companies here today have accepted in Europe that tire
- 4 incineration is something different than recycling. And I
- 5 think our statutes are pretty firm on that too. Although
- 6 I understand it's a subject of dispute.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Actually, our statutes say
- 8 the energy recovery. That's how the law was written.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: The statutes refer to
- 10 energy recovery, but they don't equate energy recovery to
- 11 recycling. I think recycling in the hierarchy is
- 12 something that's much different than energy recovery.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: And I am looking forward to
- 14 that debate, because Willy Brown wrote the legislation.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, and I think the
- 16 law's clear.
- 17 MR. PYNOWSKI: Careful to try to show that
- 18 that's -- call it reuse or some other term rather than
- 19 recycling. Because in the graph we presented we state
- 20 things like recovery, reuse and recycling. Cover all
- 21 bases.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Blumenthal.
- You need to stand up and identify yourself.
- 24 MR. BLUMENTHAL: My name is Michael Blumenthal.
- 25 I'm with the Rubber Manufacturers Association.

1 I think the issue on that number of 77 percent

- 2 and the question about whether tires are recycled I think
- 3 got off on the wrong tangent.
- 4 The number that we have out there was 77 percent
- 5 of what the annual flow would be go to an end-use market.
- 6 We recognize not all of them are recycled in the true
- 7 sense. We do not represent that tires going to energy are
- 8 being recycled. We say they are being used for energy
- 9 recovery. That is an aggregate number.
- 10 And as far as what goes on across the country, it
- 11 is different from area to area and from state to State.
- 12 But we did not prepare a detailed presentation on where
- 13 the markets are or are not. Certainly we are -- I want to
- 14 tell you we have a biennial market report that should be
- 15 out in just a month or two that will go into much greater
- 16 detail so that we can answer your questions about where
- 17 the markets are, where the numbers are coming from. They
- 18 are hard numbers, and we know where the tire piles are
- 19 relative into each State.
- 20 So the number of tires -- the question of the
- 21 definition as we -- we're not stating that 77 percent get
- 22 recycled. There are markets for and equivalent of 77
- 23 percent of the annually generated scrap tires in this
- 24 country.
- 25 We also never try to represent the fact that

- 1 there is not a scrap tire issue.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I know.
- 3 MR. BLUMENTHAL: That's not what any of our
- 4 documentation has come forward with. We have never made
- 5 that -- that is not an issue that we believe in. And I
- 6 think our presence here, as well as in many other states,
- 7 working to help further develop markets or in some cases
- 8 to flat out develop markets, is testimony that we still
- 9 believe there are many issues that need to be addressed
- 10 and that we, the industry -- I presume that's what he
- 11 meant by the industry -- that we, the tire manufacture
- 12 industry, are involved in this and take a very active
- 13 role.
- 14 And then I will augment the statements later.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks, Mr. Blumenthal.
- Go ahead, continue.
- 17 MR. PYNOWSKI: Okay. Continuing on with some of
- 18 the state programs. Many do require collectors and
- 19 processors to be permitted, registered, with manifest
- 20 systems in many cases. And that many have sufficient
- 21 markets to address annual generation numbers, but still
- 22 have to deal with stockpiles. And many provide grants and
- 23 loans to processors and recyclers.
- 24 Twenty-seven states, a little more than half
- 25 here, have some sort of active clean-up program to take

1 some of those funds that are collected and tackle those

- 2 stockpiles that are currently out there.
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- 4 MR. PYNOWSKI: And many states we've stated that
- 5 there are programs. And we've seen good ones and bad
- 6 ones. But we sort of cherry-picked some of the successful
- 7 aspects of it to outline here.
- 8 Having a fixed-term dedicated fee. We have seen
- 9 the fees collected, diverted to general funds or go into a
- 10 general fund and, therefore, not available for scrap tire
- 11 management. But in this case, we do advocate trying to
- 12 have a dedicated fee so that it would be used for scrap
- 13 tires.
- 14 Funds have been used to help develop end-use
- 15 markets. One-time testing of, say, air emissions or
- 16 leachate or some new process to be able to recycle
- 17 material back into another product.
- 18 Grants and loans, primarily using those for
- 19 equipment for end-use and product market development.
- 20 Funds, as I mentioned, have been used to abate
- 21 tire piles over some period of time to try to minimize
- 22 those to reach our goal of eradicating all of them. And
- 23 also for enforcement of regulations, because that keeps
- 24 those that are in business, have a legitimate business, on
- 25 a level playing field with the rest.

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- 2 MR. PYNOWSKI: Some of the items we found to be
- 3 avoided were subsidies of processors or end-users --
- 4 michael will talk about that a little bit more in his
- 5 presentation -- or focusing on processing technology; or
- 6 just having a focus on a single market, as I think you
- 7 recognize that there's many different markets and we need
- 8 all those in order to be able to tackle all of the tires
- 9 we have out there.
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- 11 MR. PYNOWSKI: That single market does
- 12 effectively destroy some infrastructure because it may
- 13 steal some of the market share from other programs, other
- 14 markets. It doesn't necessarily guarantee a demand for
- 15 the products, and we've seen it fail in a number of other
- 16 states.
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- 18 MR. PYNOWSKI: Now, Michael's going to talk about
- 19 specifically the California program and what we can do to
- 20 work together.
- 21 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Good afternoon, gentlemen, Mr.
- 22 Chairman, Board Members.
- 23 My name is Michael Blumenthal. I am the Senior
- 24 Technical Director of the Rubber Manufacturers
- 25 Association. I've been with the Association since October

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1 1990, and I was hired as the Director of the Scrap Tire
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- 2 Management Council. I've been involved in the scrap tire
- 3 industry since 1986. And have a few comments to make.
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- 5 First, some of this material will be very
- 6 familiar to you since it's right out of your notes.
- 7 In California as of last year you starting
- 8 collecting a one-dollar fee at the point of sale,
- 9 dedicated fund, fund goes to grants and loans, other types
- 10 of programs. You have market incentives for purchase
- 11 of -- purchase preference for products containing recycled
- 12 content, as well as issues for purchase of retreaded
- 13 tires, which the Association fully supports.
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- 15 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Landfills of tires is still
- 16 allowed in the State. No whole tires can go into
- 17 landfills. Tire shreds must go in. And the monofills are
- 18 being looked at.
- 19 --00--
- 20 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Some of the achievements we have
- 21 recognized -- we want to let you know that we
- 22 recognized -- about California is your 1992 market
- 23 feasibility study I think was one of the best reports ever
- 24 done. The Earlier part of that document talks about
- 25 certain tire manufacturing issues. I think that was well

1 done then; I think it still is valid today. And we make

- 2 use of it on a regular basis.
- 3 As well as your air emission testing reports.
- 4 There are two or three reports out from the State.
- 5 Excellent reports. Very comprehensive testing protocols.
- 6 Very good results. We also share this with other and
- 7 other industries.
- 8 As far as your ongoing programs are concerned, we
- 9 applaud your effort to try and find markets for tire wire
- 10 and fluff. It's been one of the banes of the industry.
- 11 Our own efforts working with tire wire have basically
- 12 failed. Once the recycled market -- recycled -- the
- 13 secondary market for steal, when that collapsed, all our
- 14 efforts on trying to market steal went along with it.
- 15 Fluff has always been a problem issue, and we're
- 16 glad that you have that contract out.
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- 18 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Efforts to educate drivers on
- 19 tire care and safety maintenance we think is a very good
- 20 program. Obviously it parallels our program. And it's
- 21 one of the things we want to talk about that we can work
- 22 together. I'll get to that in a few minutes.
- You look at longer-wear tires. Obviously it's of
- 24 very great interest to our manufacturers. Our
- 25 manufacturers put a lot of effort, a lot of engineering, a

- 1 lot of research into their project. Like to see the
- 2 product last as long as it is designed for and get all of
- 3 the engineering properties that it has been engineered
- 4 for.
- 5 Information on asphalt rubber. I think the State
- 6 of California leads the nation in the information exchange
- 7 and the education on rubber-modified asphalt, sometimes
- 8 also called asphalt rubber, with your two technology
- 9 centers, one in northern California, one in southern
- 10 California. It is a model that we have tried to get other
- 11 states involved with. We always point to California as
- 12 the model for this. One other State has followed along.
- 13 That was South Carolina. But they only have one. They're
- 14 a little smaller than you guys are. And of course your
- 15 conferences and workshops have been among the best and we
- 16 have -- and we'll get into that.
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- 18 MR. BLUMENTHAL: As far as what your state does.
- 19 These are your state numbers. We figure the estimate's
- 20 around 31 million tires, maybe a few more, maybe a few
- 21 less, that are generated in the state. Remarkably you
- 22 have markets for 27 million. Markets, and that is all
- 23 markets combined -- fuel, civil engineering,
- 24 rubber-modified asphalt, and product manufacturing.
- 25 California is one of only two states that

1 actually has multiple markets, all -- basically all four.

- 2 Florida is the other.
- 3 Different states, different regions have
- 4 different markets due to a number of different factors.
- 5 Not every State has a pulp and paper mill, not every state
- 6 has a kiln that's either there or that can use tire cell.
- 7 Type of markets and the market dynamics vary from place to
- 8 place.
- 9 The remainder of your tire is -- typically are
- 10 either landfilled or exported. And overall, if you look
- 11 at numbers of tires -- and you have about two million
- 12 tires in stockpiles, and I believe those are targeted to
- 13 be -- California certainly has a laudable record on tire
- 14 management, on the markets for tires, all markets for
- 15 tires. Current, you have about 92 to 94 percent of all
- 16 the tires that are produced in the state, and on an
- 17 analyzed basis, go into either an end-use market or are
- 18 managed. And managed means go into a landfill.
- 19 The industry's position on landfilling is that --
- 20 inherently there's nothing wrong putting tires into a
- 21 landfill. It's not going to contaminate the area. The
- 22 whole tires may float, but no -- very few landfills take
- 23 in whole tires anymore. There's nothing really wrong with
- 24 putting a tire into a landfill per se. It is a safe place
- 25 to put it. It's better than putting them into a

1 stockpile. But it is certainly not considered a market.

- 2 It's not our first choice. We do not believe that all
- 3 tires should be landfilled. There are certain cases where
- 4 there are no markets available. For example, certain
- 5 parts of Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, and
- 6 in Nevada, where there are no markets available for scrap
- 7 tires. In those places where there are no markets
- 8 available, landfilling tires where it is still legal is a
- 9 viable management option that can be and should be
- 10 utilized.
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- MR. BLUMENTHAL: Where we shift in our position
- 13 is that where you have markets or are trying to develop
- 14 markets for scrap tires, whatever that market is, the
- 15 landfilling -- the ability to landfill tires is
- 16 inconsistent with the development of economically and
- 17 viable markets -- end-use markets for tires, whether it's
- 18 fuel, civil engineering, ground rubber, what have you.
- 19 The two are mutually exclusive, because landfilling
- 20 clearly is the least-cost disposal option available out
- 21 there, and it will win every time. Tires, still
- 22 considered a waste product -- a solid waste -- a solid
- 23 waste mentality is to get rid of it at the least-cost
- 24 disposal option that is legal. That is a landfill.
- 25 Where you have the two working that same time, we

1 have landfills and markets working, what we try to suggest

- 2 is that you may want to consider the phasing out of
- 3 landfilling or the increase in the specifications for tire
- 4 shreds to go into landfills, or something to change the
- 5 economic balance where the processors of tires have a
- 6 better chance of getting those tires on an economical
- 7 basis, all coming down to what tip fee is. And we'll talk
- 8 about that in just a minute there.
- 9 So what we support is all viable markets for
- 10 tires. So it's those that are environmentally sound and
- 11 cost efficient -- fuel, civil engineering, ground-rubber
- 12 applications. Ground rubber applications include new
- 13 manufacturing products as well as rubber-modified asphalt
- 14 and all the new array of products that are out there. We
- 15 can talk more about that in just a moment.
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- 17 MR. BLUMENTHAL: In California you have seven
- 18 ground rubber producers. And the way the market is
- 19 working now you have less of a number of asphalt rubber
- 20 contracts this year and presumably next year. There is a
- 21 dwindling market for asphalt and, hence, there is an
- 22 attendant overabundancy of ground rubber in the
- 23 marketplace. California unfortunately lost one of their
- 24 major ground rubber purchasers in Royal. They
- 25 consolidated their operations. Now they're in Georgia.

1 Lands fills set the tip fee. We figure it's

- 2 about \$0.45 per passenger car tire.
- 3 But you do have additional market capacity in
- 4 tire-derived fuel, in civil engineering, in playground
- 5 applications, in soil amendments. And in both large or
- 6 smaller ground rubber sizes we believe there are
- 7 additional market capacity out there.
- 8 Some of the issues of concern in California. We
- 9 are concerned about the possibility of a market support by
- 10 the State, a price support through a subsidy for ground
- 11 rubber for whole tire processing, \$0.17 at processors,
- 12 \$0.10 for tire-derived fuel, \$0.50 for the end-use
- 13 products.
- 14 Typically what we have found is that if there's
- 15 simply an emphasis on the collection and processing tires,
- 16 that's where the tires will go. Texas had this problem.
- 17 Texas today has a major problem because of what happened
- 18 five years ago. They never focused on market development.
- 19 They focused on processing.
- 20 Putting money into processing or collection still
- 21 does not guarantee any additional markets. This is not a
- 22 supply-side driven industry. This is a demand-pool
- 23 industry. Always has been; I think always will be.
- 24 And emphasis, we believe, should be placed on
- 25 end-user markets. If you are going to put money into the

- 1 system -- other states have done this -- Illinois -- I
- 2 think -- Illinois is the paradigm. They produce 15
- 3 million tires a year. They have markets for 21 million
- 4 tires a year. They are a net importer of scrap tires to
- 5 meet market demand, for ground rubber, for civil
- 6 engineering, and for fuel, as well as a very aggressive
- 7 retread industry. I can give you a name and number if
- 8 you'd like that.
- 9 But basically what they have done is they put the
- 10 grant into a one-time use for an end-user. If you are a
- 11 mat maker and need a new machine to make something, it's a
- 12 one-time grant. If you're doing testing to make sure it
- 13 can be put into a system, there's a grant for that. But
- 14 the grants end. And then the presumption is that you will
- 15 use local materials. And that's always understood.
- 16 One of the other potential problems we see with a
- 17 price support through a subsidy is that when the price
- 18 support ends, the market suffers. The markets that have
- 19 taken that material typically will not take it at a higher
- 20 price. A lot of the processors have been working in this
- 21 realm of false economies. When the price support net goes
- 22 away, the market crashes. We've seen it in Texas. We've
- 23 seen it in Wisconsin. They used to have one of the best
- 24 programs out there. It is consistent. And we believe
- 25 that is a problem here.

1 It also tends to shift -- if you create a false

- 2 economy and bring tires into an artificial market, it can
- 3 take tires away from existing markets or from other
- 4 potential markets.
- 5 The market implications of the ability to
- 6 landfill tires, as I mentioned before, it does limit the
- 7 number of tires that go an end-use market. It also sets
- 8 the maximum or the highest tip fee that can be allowed.
- 9 And that has a direct impact on the marketplace, on the
- 10 processors of tires. And that obviously has an impact on
- 11 their viability.
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- 13 MR. BLUMENTHAL: The focus of grants on a narrow
- 14 range of activities. We believe -- we have always
- 15 believed, and our position is that there is no one
- 16 solution to this scrap tire problem; is that it will take
- 17 multiple markets. And certainly California has more
- 18 markets than anybody else out there, not only in quantity,
- 19 but in the variability of the markets. A diverse
- 20 marketplace is a key for long-term viability.
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- MR. BLUMENTHAL: Some of the things we'd like to
- 23 suggest is that -- we do have many common interests. And
- 24 we have taken an active role in the State of California.
- 25 Just because you're on the west coast and our office is on

- 1 the east coast doesn't mean we never come out here. I
- 2 think Mr. Jones will know that the council -- that the RMA
- 3 has been a very active participant in the Oregon tire
- 4 program. Matter of fact the reason I can't be on Thursday
- 5 is because the next meeting in Portland is on Thursday.
- 6 It was a tough choice to make. But I already had my plane
- 7 tickets, so that pretty much cast it.
- 8 But we certainly have been here before. During
- 9 the last legislative session we were a contributor of
- 10 ideas and information. We have spoken at a number of the
- 11 Waste Board conferences. We have always been willing to
- 12 submit comments and ideas on any kind of programs that you
- 13 have here.
- 14 What we would like to suggest. And this just the
- 15 beginning of it. These are certainly not the only things
- 16 that we have in mind. But we do share a number of common
- 17 interests. I think first and foremost -- well, not first
- 18 and foremost -- but first on the list is we would like to
- 19 be able to participate in any grant oversight committee.
- 20 I'll give you a couple -- what I'm looking at.
- 21 When the State of California looks into giving a
- 22 grant, perhaps there has been other states who have done
- 23 something like what you are thinking about. For example,
- 24 in the recycled content arena, the State of North Carolina
- 25 has put almost two million dollars into a grant with one

- 1 of our member companies, Comparable Tire. And while the
- 2 reports still are considered confidential, North Carolina
- 3 will be issuing a report on this some time in the near
- 4 future. These types of things are out there. We would
- 5 like to be able to be tapped as a resource to look into,
- 6 not so much what has been done, but what can be done from
- 7 what has been done as a second step.
- 8 We would also like to volunteer to be part of the
- 9 review committee or of a stakeholders' committee when the
- 10 review comes up for your tire program. I believe it's
- 11 going to be in two years. We are not going away. This is
- 12 not a one-time presentation, a one-time effort here in
- 13 California.
- 14 And one of the biggest issues that we have -- and
- 15 I believe that California is on the right direction
- 16 looking into this -- is to partner in the development of
- 17 information on tire care and maintenance. As you heard
- 18 before, the number one problem around is that most people
- 19 ride on under-inflated tires. Simply by checking the air
- 20 pressure, tire rotation, proper maintenance, not only will
- 21 you make the tires last longer, but you'll get better gas
- 22 mileage, which means that the engine will work less hard
- 23 and you get less emissions out of the tailpipe. And ${\tt I}$
- 24 think we all want to see that.
- 25 And with that I thank you for your time and

1 attention. We'd be happy to answer any questions that the

- 2 Board may have.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 4 Mr. Eaton.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Thank you very much.
- 6 I just have a couple of questions regarding to
- 7 clarification. Then I'll have some comments later on.
- 8 With regards to slide Number 40, your california
- 9 scrap tire overview, you talked about 30 to 33 million
- 10 scrap tires per year generated here, and that we have
- 11 markets for 27 million scrap tires. Is that market with
- 12 or without Royal that was previously mentioned, that is no
- 13 longer --
- 14 MR. BLUMENTHAL: That is without. These numbers
- 15 come right from your --
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Without?
- 17 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Without. These numbers come
- 18 from your staff people.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: And the implication in
- 20 that slide is not that California has markets for 27
- 21 million California-generated tires. In other words, the
- 22 27 million that could go into the marketplace aren't only
- 23 California generated --
- MR. BLUMENTHAL: I think the vast --
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: -- is that correct?

1 MR. BLUMENTHAL: I would actually send that

- 2 question over to Martha Gildart since I got the numbers
- 3 from her.
- 4 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 5 Roughly three million were imported as part of
- 6 that 27. And so of the California tires, it's closer to
- 7 24.
- 8 MR. BLUMENTHAL: And I'd also add that you still
- 9 have an abundant capacity of market availability here in
- 10 the State, both in civil engineering and ground rubber as
- 11 well as tire-derived fuel. Case in point, you're
- 12 working -- you have a contract with Dr. Dana Humphrey at
- 13 the University of Maine. He's working on two projects
- 14 right now.
- 15 There is virtually an endless possibility of
- 16 large-scale value-added civil engineering projects that
- 17 could be implemented here in California. I think CalTrans
- 18 has ample opportunity in the number of rural counties in
- 19 the northern part of the State where you don't have a lot
- 20 of markets outside of a one kiln. Certainly you could
- 21 take advantage of that.
- 22 So there are opportunities still in both -- and
- 23 in particular, in your less-populated areas.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: And the other question
- 25 or comment that I have is for clarification.

1 So is the RMA supporting, much like the Canadians

- 2 do, where they put their subsidy at the really tail end of
- 3 the process? Because I heard you mention that you were
- 4 not in favor of placing any money on the front end, either
- 5 collection or processing. So what's left of the box --
- 6 and I just want to get some clarification since we're
- 7 going on Thursday.
- 8 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Of course.
- 9 We as an industry and as an association do not
- 10 support the idea of price supports at any point in time.
- 11 We think that they are a short-term fix and create
- 12 long-term problems.
- 13 If, however, there is money to be given, we would
- 14 suggest that the more efficient place to place that money
- 15 would be at the back end, at the end-user level; once
- 16 again going back to the idea this is a demand pool
- 17 industry as opposed to a supply side.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: And that any release of
- 19 funds would have to have certification that there actually
- 20 was an end use there --
- 21 MR. BLUMENTHAL: Well, not so much with the
- 22 process. I think it's more with the manufacturers of the
- 23 end-use product. For example, if you want to get fuel, it
- 24 would be the actual end user. If it was for civil
- 25 engineering, it would be for the DOT or whoever would

1 actually use the material in that project. If it's for

- 2 ground rubber, it would be for the manufacturer of the
- 3 product that uses the rubber, not to the processor
- 4 themselves.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Thank you for --
- 6 MR. BLUMENTHAL: And just a point of
- 7 clarification. In B.C. the money does not go the end -- I
- 8 don't believe money goes to the end user. But we still
- 9 don't support the B.C. program. But that is Canada.
- 10 That's the Rubber Association of Canada that handles those
- 11 issues. We hear in the lower 48 -- they have a belief
- 12 that they are an independent country and don't like us
- 13 telling them what they should be doing. And we try not to
- 14 on too many times.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I'm going to acknowledge Mr.
- 16 Paparian in a second. But just to follow up on what Mr.
- 17 Eaton was saying.
- 18 We put our money -- a lot of our money into
- 19 schools to let them pay for playgrounds, rubberized mats,
- 20 those types of things. We spend an awful lot of money at
- 21 that end, which really drives the market from the
- 22 standpoint that there's dollars available. And then
- 23 whoever's the smartest guy out there gets the business.
- 24 And to me that seems like it doesn't distort the
- 25 marketplace.

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1 MR. BLUMENTHAL: To a point -- yes, I would
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- 2 absolutely agree that that is not a direct subsidy to the
- 3 processor. However, if and when that grant money goes
- 4 away, all those markets go away as well. The markets will
- 5 be there as long as the State is willing to foot the bill.
- 6 If and when that ability to fund these types of grants to
- 7 the schools or to the counties ends, their demand for this
- 8 product will end.
- 9 What we would suggest is to devise a program
- 10 where the counties or the schools, in this particular
- 11 case, see the benefit of using a ground cover, for
- 12 example, made from tire rubber. Do a demonstration
- 13 project. And answer their questions about how safe it
- 14 is -- and there's ample information out there about how
- 15 safe it is -- about the cost benefit, about the reduced
- 16 injuries that that can occur and which can be documented;
- 17 you show them that they can do this on their own. And If
- 18 you get them to do it on their own and they bid this out
- 19 in a competitive manner, you accomplish the same goal, but
- 20 without the dependence on that grant. Because our fear --
- 21 and it's not just here in California -- our fear is that
- 22 when that grant goes away, when that dries up, then the
- 23 demand will dry up.
- 24 We've seen this in Florida. Florida used to do
- 25 the same thing. A lot of their money went for these types

1 of grants. And when the grant program ended, so did the

- 2 demand for ground rubber because they said, "Well, it's
- 3 more expensive and we have all these questions. It was
- 4 nice when we got the grant from the state. But without
- 5 the grant, we'll just buy what we've been buying before,"
- 6 even though, for example, let's say it's wood, that they
- 7 have to replace it every other year or it's not as safe.
- 8 There's just no -- there's no continuation of the
- 9 marketing of that product.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 11 Mr. Paparian.
- 12 And then we've got a couple of speakers.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Several questions.
- 14 Mr. Blumenthal, you mentioned you're going to
- 15 Oregon on Thursday.
- Apparently back in March, in your meeting on
- 17 March 22nd, you told the Oregon folks that the California
- 18 program is not well focused. I saw a transcript of that
- 19 meeting.
- 20 Would you care to elaborate? I mean that some of
- 21 the staff and the Board might disagree on how well focused
- 22 we are. But why aren't we well focused?
- MR. BLUMENTHAL: Not well focused was meant in
- 24 the sense that there have been no secondary projects, no
- 25 follow-up projects. That there's been grant money to look

1 at virtually everything. A lot of grant money has gone

- 2 out. For example, once upon a time you even looked at
- 3 tire pyrolysis. There's been no follow-up study for that.
- 4 You know, you've done air emission studies, but there's
- 5 been no follow-up for that. You give out grants for
- 6 playground materials, but there's been no follow-up study
- 7 to look at the effectiveness. In other words, to get
- 8 people off of being used to getting the money from the
- 9 State.
- 10 It seems that there's enough money to go around
- 11 to cover everything once. And then if it's a good program
- 12 and people like it, you continue with that program that
- 13 people like, but there's been no follow-up studies,
- 14 there's been no way to demonstrate the effectiveness of
- 15 the tire-generated material in the marketplace.
- So it goes back to one of my earlier fears in
- 17 that when the grants go away, the -- will go away. It's a
- 18 fear, like I said, not just here in California. But any
- 19 place that has a grant program that will subsidize the
- 20 marketplace does not instill any kind of urgency from the
- 21 end-user, from the potential purchaser to buy the rubber
- 22 product on their own, whether it's asphalt or it's
- 23 playground material. And that's my concern, is that
- 24 there's enough to go around to cover every question at
- 25 least once, but it's the continuation, it's the --

1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: How would we do that?

- 2 What would you suggest? I mean one of the -- let me tell
- 3 you one of the things that I've been suggesting is that
- 4 perhaps we get some -- identify a university in
- 5 California, for example, to help us with program
- 6 evaluation and taking a look at some of the things --
- 7 MR. BLUMENTHAL: That's one of the things we'd
- 8 like to be involved with as well, along with whoever --
- 9 How do you do it? You go back and look at where your
- 10 grants have gone. You look at what the impact of --
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: You're talking about
- 12 program evaluating?
- MR. BLUMENTHAL: Yeah, program evaluation.
- 14 That's the question I believe I should -- I need to
- 15 answer.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. I got a couple
- 17 questions for some of your member companies. I think we
- 18 got the picture on that.
- 19 MR. BLUMENTHAL: And then when I'm finished and
- 20 sit down, you can pick any company that you want.
- 21 But basically you go back and do a review and
- 22 then do the secondary studies. And we can go into greater
- 23 detail later on.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great.
- I think it was Mr. Cooper from Michelin.

- 1 MR. COOPER: Sir.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: You've got -- in your
- 3 2001 annual report there was mention of the energy
- 4 benefits of using green tires. That was something that
- 5 was specifically called out in your 2001 annual report.
- 6 MR. COOPER: Yes, sir. That's what I was talking
- 7 about earlier when I was mentioning the low-rolling
- 8 resistance tires, the tires with the silica content in the
- 9 tread, yes, sir.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: If I wanted to go out
- 11 and by these green tires, either as an individual or, say,
- 12 the State of California wanted to buy these greener tires,
- 13 how would we identify those greener tires?
- 14 MR. COOPER: We, have a tire called the energy
- 15 tire, for example. We have a tire called the X-1. Those
- 16 tires are -- contain the silica material in the tread.
- 17 And when we advertise them, we advertise them as having a
- 18 low-rolling resistance.
- 19 In terms of having a list of those tires,
- 20 certainly we'd be glad to provide you a list. And I'm
- 21 sure all of our member companies that also use the silica
- 22 tread material would be glad to provide a list of tires
- 23 that contain that.
- Not all of the tires do because -- primarily
- 25 because the -- it's a cost issue. And you have to be able

- 1 to sell that additional cost to the consumer. And that
- 2 obviously is a problem. When most of the people -- when
- 3 they go to buy a tire, they say, "How much does it cost?"
- 4 And that's the primary consideration in tire purchases.
- 5 So right now we're trying to push the concept of
- 6 low-rolling resistance. We're working with the automobile
- 7 manufacturers, as all of the member companies are, in
- 8 trying to do this. But it all come backs, generally, to a
- 9 cost issue.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. And then in
- 11 terms of recycled content, my understanding is Michelin
- 12 uses some recycled content in some of their tires.
- MR. COOPER: That's correct.
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Can you give me a
- 15 range or -- well, they're probably zero to some number,
- 16 right?
- MR. COOPER: Yeah, it's zero to about ten percent
- 18 in -- but the ones with ten-percent content are very
- 19 limited. We had an experimental program with Ford, where
- 20 we put recycled content in the tires on certain Windstar
- 21 applications. But they decided not to continue that
- 22 program, and so we use recycled content in these tire at a
- 23 variety of different end-uses. But there's no specific
- 24 tire that is loaded up, shall we say, with the recycled
- 25 content.

1 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. But even at

- 2 those percentages, if I wanted to go and buy a tire with
- 3 recycled content, say, the State of California wanted to
- 4 buy tires with recycled content, how would we figure out
- 5 which of your tires had recycled content?
- 6 MR. COOPER: You would have to ask the company.
- 7 Same with all the rest of the member companies, you would
- 8 have to go back to the marketing people and ask that
- 9 question.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Are the companies
- 11 prepared to reveal that type of information about recycled
- 12 content in the varies product line?
- 13 MR. COOPER: I would think so. I would imagine
- 14 so. We certainly would. I feel comfortable that the rest
- 15 of the companies would as well.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. That's very
- 17 helpful. Thank you.
- 18 MR. COOPER: Yes, sir.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I had a question for
- 20 the gentleman from Goodyear.
- MR. PYNOWSKI: Yes, sir.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: A few years -- about
- 23 three years back your company touted a patent -- you had
- 24 some publicity about a patent for a devulcanization
- 25 process?

- 1 MR. PYNOWSKI: Oh, yes.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Can you elaborate --
- 3 you know, has that panned out or has it failed or -- that
- 4 processor, or is it still a possibility?
- 5 MR. PYNOWSKI: Just hasn't been economically
- 6 viable. And it hasn't developed past a -- I won't even
- 7 call it pilot scale -- but bench scale. In other words,
- 8 you know, working in the laboratory to be able to properly
- 9 devulcanize the rubber. We have found some good
- 10 properties to be able to reuse that material. But the
- 11 time it takes and the expense far outstrips the current
- 12 raw materials. So that we have not been able to find
- 13 anyone to take it to the next step of being pilot scale,
- 14 then make it an economically viable business.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. One of the
- 16 other things the company talks about is product
- 17 stewardship, which is also a priority for the Board. In
- 18 fact if the company's here, Goodyear seemed to be the one
- 19 that touted product stewardship on top of that, fourteen
- 20 thousand one efforts. In your product stewardship
- 21 efforts, does recycled content play into your pursuit of
- 22 product stewardship?
- MR. PYNOWSKI: Well, we have pursued both here in
- 24 the states and in Europe a recycled content. Like
- 25 Michelin had stated, varying percentages and depending on

1 the tire, but it includes the steel that goes into the

- 2 steel beads and steel belts. There is a certain
- 3 percentage of recycled material there because steel is
- 4 quite commonly recycled.
- 5 The butyl rubber or, I guess it would be,
- 6 halogenated compounds, could be chlorobutyl rubber or
- 7 halobutyl rubber that's used to make that inner liner.
- 8 Sort of replaces the tube of the tire. There was a sample
- 9 going around that was sort of sliced and cut. That
- 10 material has got a very high percentage of recycled
- 11 material because the butyl rubber is a unique rubber into
- 12 itself. A tire is made up of many different types of
- 13 rubbers. But that one is just a single type of rubber, so
- 14 that one's easier to recycle. Now, we don't get that from
- 15 tires because it's difficult to separate that thin layer
- 16 out. But when we cure a tire in a curing press under heat
- 17 and pressure, there is some components of that machine
- 18 that is made out of butyl rubber, and those are all
- 19 recycled. All of our factories recycle that material.
- 20 And then, as I said, we do have some tire-derived
- 21 material that's ground very finely and put back into the
- 22 tires at various percentages.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Cooper suggested
- 24 if we wanted to find out which tires had which recycled
- 25 content --

1 MR. PYNOWSKI: Yeah, as well as the silica in the

- 2 treads, they'd have greater fuel economy or lower --
- 3 rolling resistance, yes.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. But Goodyear
- 5 would be prepared to let us know which ones, say, have
- 6 recycled content and which ones don't, percentages?
- 7 MR. PYNOWSKI: Yes.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great.
- 9 Thank you very much.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. We've got a
- 11 couple of speaker.
- 12 Joyce Eden with the West Valley Citizens Air
- 13 Watch.
- MS. EDEN: Hi. Thank you very much.
- 15 My name is Joyce Eden. I'm with West Valley
- 16 Citizens Air Watch. We are a citizen grassroots group who
- 17 have been working on this issue since late 1995 when the
- 18 Hanson cement kiln did a test burn of tire-derived fuel
- 19 without notifying the community.
- 20 Since then we've done major amount research into
- 21 the issue of the air emissions from tire-derived fuel, in
- 22 particular compared to coal; and the many possibilities
- 23 for source reduction and recycling.
- I'll try to be brief today. And a lot of things
- 25 were brought up here which -- some of which did not go

- 1 unchallenged. But we feel that the solution to waste
- 2 tires is before us, and it's in the Public Resource Code,
- 3 that the State of California already has source reduction
- 4 to recycling and landfill or a transformation at the
- 5 bottom of the priorities.
- 6 We do not see a lot or perhaps any source
- 7 reduction going on. But we see that now the Integrated
- 8 Waste Management Board is looking into the longevity of
- 9 tires, and we really appreciate that. We feel that -- our
- 10 proposal has been that all new tires on -- all tires on
- 11 new cars sold in the State of California be made to either
- 12 last the life of the car or be rated at 100 to 200 hundred
- 13 thousand miles. That in itself would be a major reduction
- 14 in source.
- 15 It's been talked about recycled content of tires.
- 16 I went to one of the California Integrated Waste
- 17 Management Board tire programs that they had. And someone
- 18 from Michelin at that point spoke, two or three years ago,
- 19 talked about the five-percent tire -- scrap tire use in
- 20 the new tires on Ford Windstars. At that time they tested
- 21 ten percent and basically came up with that they were just
- 22 as safe and just as good. So I'm actually curious to
- 23 know, and maybe someone from the Board will find out, why
- 24 apparently Ford has dropped that and what has gone on
- 25 there.

- 1 That's a really important thing.
- 2 True recycling, as has been mentioned here, is
- 3 not transformation. Burning is not recycling. The
- 4 California Code is very clear on what recycling is -- PRC
- 5 40180. Rubberized asphalt concrete, going into the
- 6 recycling examples, that is what we feel is one of the
- 7 major ways to deal with tires. I was actually quite
- 8 surprised to see that, according to one of the tire
- 9 company people or Michael Blumenthal -- I'm not sure which
- 10 one -- said that the rack is down in California. And I
- 11 wonder -- yes, is that true?
- Okay. I'm very surprised to hear that because in
- 13 fact a road right near where I live was recently -- well,
- 14 probably last year had a rack put on it, and it's
- 15 marvelous. And, as I'm sure you're aware, it uses only
- 16 two inches of material as opposed to four inches. Lasts,
- 17 Lord knows, how many years. There's places in Arizona
- 18 where it's lasted for 20 years. Doesn't get the pot
- 19 holes, it's much easier to repair. A higher cost on the
- 20 front end, but saves huge amounts of money for communities
- 21 in not such a long run. So I know you have the rack
- 22 center in southern California. I think -- do you have one
- 23 now in northern California? I see there's two. We
- 24 applaud that. And I would like to hear, you know, why --
- 25 what's going on that there's a reduction in that.

1 Obviously we all know that there's a huge industry in the

- 2 normal usual form of roadways that has lobbied against the
- 3 increase in rack. But I hope we can overcome that. I did
- 4 a calculation a couple years ago, which I don't have with
- 5 me, taking the number of roads in California. And just by
- 6 that alone all the -- in the per mile numbers of used
- 7 tires that are used in rack, that would take care of the
- 8 30 million tires generated in California per year. That
- 9 alone would take care of it. And there's many other uses,
- 10 as you are well aware of.
- 11 The emissions issue. There has been assertions
- 12 today that the NOX -- this has always been one of the
- 13 assertions about using rubberized asphalt concrete -- I'm
- 14 sorry -- using TDF is that the NOX will go down. In fact,
- 15 we have the figures for the test burn in the Hanson, which
- 16 used to be Kaiser Cement Factory. Our group has -- with
- 17 people who are trained in this, has in the past gone over
- 18 the emissions -- the actual emissions test data from
- 19 Kaiser, which was touted as one of the best, if not the
- 20 best, test. And it's clear there that the NOX went way
- 21 up, including many other emissions. It is not safer or
- 22 better to do TDF. And the comparisons of TDF versus
- 23 coal -- and I don't have copies of this, but I will give
- 24 these to the members of the Board another day or mail them
- 25 in. When you compare the amount of emissions from --

- 1 which is what they did at the Hanson Cement Plant --
- 2 burning coal and then adding the tire-derived fuel, huge
- 3 increases of emissions. Hexavalent Chromium, the Erin
- 4 Brockovich toxin, I mean that went up orders of magnitude,
- 5 orders of -- huge orders of magnitude. The NOX went up,
- 6 the dioxins went up, the mercury went up, the PM10 and 2.5
- 7 went way up, the PAH's went way up. This is not a
- 8 reduction. This is not a benefit.
- 9 We're really greatly concerned about the press by
- 10 the Rubber Manufacturers Association to increase the
- 11 tire-derived fuel burning in California, and other places,
- 12 but we're focused now obviously on California.
- 13 You know let's think about if we increased that,
- 14 what would happen? Will we ever be able to get rid of it?
- 15 I think not. There will be an entrenched industry for
- 16 burning coal, burning TDF in cement kilns, in paper mills
- 17 and Lord knows where else. Whereas this Board is working
- 18 towards and mandated to do source reduction and true
- 19 recycling as priorities.
- 20 And the question of landfill? Well, that is
- 21 certainly not ideal, and we don't want tires in the
- 22 landfill. Of course we all know they have to be chipped
- 23 in California before they're put in the fill. That in
- 24 terms of social, health, citizen -- benefits to the
- 25 society or detriments to the society it's certainly better

1 to landfill than it is to burn them and put those tires

- 2 and all their components into the air which we have to
- 3 breathe, which then fall in the water and which form
- 4 significant amounts of, for instance, mercury, which we --
- 5 you know, we're trying to reduce from the water.
- 6 So this is very serious. And, you know, we're on
- 7 the cusp of are we going to increase TDF or are we going
- 8 to decrease TDF? The goal should be decrease it and phase
- 9 it out. Certainly not increase it. That will interfere
- 10 with all the beneficial uses of a rubberized asphalt --
- 11 excuse me -- of TDF.
- 12 The components of tires -- the rubber in tires is
- 13 not real rubber. It's a long chain molecular product that
- 14 takes huge amounts of energy to produce in the first
- 15 place. When it's burned, whether it's called
- 16 transformation or energy recovery, or whatever kind of
- 17 euphemism is used, it loses seven percent -- in other
- 18 words it takes seven times -- it takes seven times more
- 19 energy to produce a tire in the first place than is
- 20 so-called recovered from burning the tires.
- 21 This is not a solution. This is an industry that
- 22 of course is motivated to use this because it's a cheap
- 23 form of fuel.
- On top of it, there's a proposal now before the
- 25 Board in draft form to actually directly subsidize tire

- 1 burning to the tune of \$0.10 per tire. This is
- 2 ridiculous.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON JONES: That is not a proposal.
- 4 That's a report that was done. We haven't even taken a
- 5 vote if we're going to even take any of it on value.
- 6 MS. EDEN: Okay, good. Well, I'm glad to hear
- 7 that. I'm glad to hear that. But I see it in the report,
- 8 and I don't know -- you know, it wasn't addressed by the
- 9 representatives here. You know, I could -- you know, I
- 10 could conceive of the fact that they may, you know, lobby
- 11 on that. And I'd be interested to know if they're for or
- 12 against that.
- 13 Obviously the tire -- the cement kilns don't need
- 14 that in order to burn tires, to be motivated --
- 15 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I don't believe in any
- 16 subsidies, so -- you know.
- MS. EDEN: Okay. Well, good. I'm glad to hear
- 18 that. But you never rest. With or without a subsidy
- 19 there is an economic motivation to burn the tires in
- 20 cement kilns because of the fuel, the reduction in the
- 21 cost of fuel. However, there's an increase in the cost to
- 22 the community and the health risks.
- Okay. I had -- I wanted --
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: I agree with almost
- 25 everything you say. I'm not totally sure that given the

1 right area, the proper area -- if that's the right word --

- 2 of burning is necessarily more damaging to health than
- 3 burying the tires. I've heard when I first came on the
- 4 Board evidence that almost every landfill that has a
- 5 number of tires is burning, except it's burning down deep
- 6 in the ground.
- 7 And we've had since I've been on the Board two
- 8 major tire fires, both I believe in the Central Valley,
- 9 where the toxics in the air and the water certainly
- 10 commanded our attention and certainly even more so
- 11 commanded yours. And I grant that wasn't a burial, but it
- 12 was an accumulation before --
- MS. EDEN: Yeah, one at least was --
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: -- before somebody got
- 15 to the point of maybe just burning from the beginning. So
- 16 it's an unhappy and unhealthy choice. But as between
- 17 burial and burning, I don't think it's quite as simple as
- 18 to say that burial is best in all cases. In fact my own
- 19 feelings are, is that given the right location -- and
- 20 that's a terrible word to use, but I can't think of
- 21 anybody better right now -- quite often burning would be
- 22 better than burying.
- MS. EDEN: Well, burning --
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Recycling is obviously
- 25 the preferable, and source reduction is along those lines

- 1 as the preferable way to go.
- 2 MS. EDEN: Yeah. Well, I think that the
- 3 emissions from burning in, you know, a plan such as a
- 4 cement kiln are greater than people really realize. And
- 5 our eyes were opened when we saw the results from the
- 6 actual test burn. That's what got us started. Because we
- 7 were horrified that this was going to be raining down on
- 8 our communities. And we also have worked to help other
- 9 communities not have to undergo this. So I think that,
- 10 you know, a lot of times this is awfully -- you know
- 11 there's been a lot of dismisses in this of, you know, the
- 12 emotional citizens who don't want tires burned in their
- 13 community. Well, for good reason. You know, we have
- 14 people with backgrounds in science and, et cetera, who
- 15 have looked at this information. And the -- a lot of the
- 16 test burns and so on that have been referred have not been
- 17 the kind of test burns that was done at Kaiser, which
- 18 actually did compare an actual cold burn with an actual
- 19 TDF burn. So, you know, that gives you a better idea and,
- 20 you know, you can believe that they were doing everything
- 21 possible to keep down the emissions from the tire-derived
- 22 fuel burn.
- But, anyway --
- 24 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Thanks, Ms. --
- 25 MS. EDEN: -- I want to thank you very much.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We appreciate it.
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- 2 MS. EDEN: And, please, please, tire burning is
- 3 not recycling. And I know that you all want to truly
- 4 recycle.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 6 Dr. Donna Cotner.
- 7 And we do have to move along. We've still got 12
- 8 items to do. So let's move.
- 9 DR. COTNER: Okay. Thanks again for allowing us
- 10 to speak.
- I just have a quick question -- couple of
- 12 questions. Who among you are interested in the management
- 13 of used tires? I assume everyone.
- Now, who among you lives within ten miles of a
- 15 coal-fired electrical cogeneration plant or a cement kiln.
- 16 And there are four of us here.
- 17 And it's no coincidence that we are here today.
- 18 We drove up from Cupertino to attend this meeting because
- 19 we live near the Hanson Cement Plant. We work close to
- 20 the plant, our children go to school down the street from
- 21 the Hanson Cement Plant. Any decision that the Integrated
- 22 Waste Management Board makes or has made regarding burning
- 23 tires and cement kilns directly affects us and our
- 24 children, are friends and our neighbors. It affects the
- 25 health, the well being, and quality of life of the entire

- 1 Santa Clara Valley.
- 2 Today Hanson Cement, burning nothing but coal, is
- 3 the single largest point-source polluter in our valley.
- 4 Obviously it's in our best interests to decrease the
- 5 pollution that we must bear.
- 6 So we are passionately involved in the
- 7 tire-burning issue. And that's what's motivated us back
- 8 in 1995 when we first learned of the trial --
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: It's the single most
- 10 what?
- 11 DR. COTNER: The single largest point-source
- 12 polluter. From a single point --
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: More than all the
- 14 E-waste that's generated in the San Clara Valley?
- DR. COTNER: The E-waste?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: E-waste.
- DR. COTNER: We're talking about air pollution.
- 18 There's probably a lot of E-waste too.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: But on the Waste
- 20 Board, just to talk about waste, we talk generally. And I
- 21 totally appreciate your sensitivity, especially when your
- 22 kids are involved. But after having seen what the -- the
- 23 documentary the Board put together on E-waste, I would
- 24 suggest with those of you who are on top of the Santa
- 25 Clara Valley with some influence there, speak to the

1 tremendous toxicity that is created by electronic waste.

- 2 It is often -- and I'm just saying this because you've
- 3 punctuated -- you've, you know -- something that's I'm
- 4 concerned about is, you know, it's always the other guy
- 5 who's -- and this goes from me to -- it's always the other
- 6 guys who's polluting the world. And what we're doing is
- 7 healthy and necessary. The worst waste generated in
- 8 California after seeing our documentary is right out of
- 9 your valley, and it's not rubber, as bad as that is.
- 10 DR. COTNER: I agree, I agree.
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay. I got to make
- 12 my point. And I do agree.
- 13 DR. COTNER: I'm also a member of the silicon
- 14 Valley Toxics Coalition, which you may be aware of. In
- 15 fact, they are the ones that first alerted the community
- 16 to the tire-burning situation.
- So, yeah, we're definitely working in many
- 18 fronts.
- 19 So -- yes, when we learned back in 1995 from the
- 20 Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition that the tire burning had
- 21 gone on at Kaiser Cement -- it was a trial burn -- and the
- 22 community was not informed, they were not consulted or
- 23 anything in this, the emotions got us involved. But the
- 24 science kept us going. As we examined the reports, which
- 25 were generated from the Kaiser test burning, we found

- 1 serious problems with the design and execution of the
- 2 trial burn, the analysis of the data and even the
- 3 mathematics. Our examination of Kaiser's figures even led
- 4 to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to revise
- 5 their emissions data upward from Kaiser's initial figures.
- 6 So the bottom line here, and the point that I'm
- 7 making, is that the Integrated Waste Management Board
- 8 really needs to actively seek out input and cooperation
- 9 from non-governmental organizations, citizens groups like
- 10 West Valley Citizens Air Watch. We have on file with the
- 11 Bay Area Air Quality Management Districts petitions of
- 12 people categorically opposed to the tire burning. And
- 13 these are signed by over 8,000 citizens.
- 14 So we urge you to let them have a voice. And
- 15 we'll be glad to speak for them.
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 18 All right. Our last speaker, Dr. Barry Takallou.
- 19 And then it's going to be my intention to give
- 20 our reporter a couple minute break. And then we will take
- 21 up the rest of the items quickly, quickly.
- Go ahead, Mr. Takallou.
- DR. TAKALLOU: Members of the Board, I'm Barry
- 24 Takallou from CRM Company. I just want to make a quick
- 25 comment.

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1 On the screen it says fewer asphalt rubber
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- 2 contracts in 2002. As a person who is very much involved
- 3 in asphalt rubber business, I think this is really too
- 4 soon to judge 2002. There are contracts in works is going
- 5 to come in specifications. Still is month of August. I
- 6 don't think asphalt rubber contracts overall is lower.
- 7 The entire construction asphalt contracting conventional
- 8 is also lower. So the percentage-wise we are not
- 9 dropping.
- 10 One of the problems we are facing in 2002, of --
- 11 majority of cities and counties are using CalTrans'
- 12 specification. And in CalTrans' specification you can
- 13 bring rubber anywhere from around the world. We are
- 14 getting quite a bit of ample imports from heavily
- 15 subsidized crumb rubber from out of country, from Canada
- 16 and other locations. That's why -- I just want to make a
- 17 correction. If there's an ample supply of crumb rubber in
- 18 California right now, yeah, to some extent rack contracts
- 19 are lower.
- 20 But the other reason, the fully subsidized crumb
- 21 rubber is heading our market. There were two huge asphalt
- 22 rubber projects just vetted last week, one in southern
- 23 California which had about one and a half million pounds
- 24 of crumb rubber; and one in northern California, two
- 25 million pounds of rubber. And there are seven producers

1 in State of California. And we all, seven of us, got beat

- 2 up by Canadian fully subsidized crumb rubber. So I just
- 3 wanted to let you know, there is seven producers here who
- 4 couldn't compete. And --
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. What are the two
- 6 cities? Because we give grants out for an awful lot of
- 7 things. I'd sure like to know what -- I want to know, and
- 8 I think this Committee wants to know, when they go out and
- 9 buy Canadian rubber on projects that we're not funding,
- 10 but then go out and buy California rubber on the ones that
- 11 we are funding, because that's going to creates an issue
- 12 for me.
- 13 DR. TAKALLOU: These are not cities. These are
- 14 both -- were CalTrans projects. And right now in our
- 15 State Senate we have AB 546, which would require CalTrans
- 16 use U.S. -- crumb rubber from U.S. tires. So we have
- 17 ample good competition, good supply here. However, you
- 18 know, this is an unlevel playing field when one country's
- 19 subsidize it heavily, in the range of 70 percent of the
- 20 value of the product, we don't no where the hit. It is a
- 21 moving target for us.
- Thank you very much.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. Questions?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Not for Mr. Takallou.
- 25 Follow-up though.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Go ahead, Mr. Paparian.
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- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- I mean one area that we talked about today that
- 4 I'm very exited about and I think offers a real
- 5 opportunity to work together with the industry and the
- 6 Waste Board is the recycled content in tires. We heard
- 7 that many companies are using recycled -- maybe all
- 8 companies are using recycled content to some degree, and
- 9 that they are prepared to let us know which tires have
- 10 recycled content at what percentages.
- 11 We actually have in the room someone who's
- 12 involved in issues involving State procurement overall for
- 13 all State agencies. And I think he's been listening
- 14 intently to some of this discussion. And I think what --
- 15 where we could work together is seeing what we could do to
- 16 get these recycled content tires on to our State vehicles
- 17 and on to consumer vehicles in California, and then look
- 18 at creative ways to take the next step, which would be
- 19 getting California crumb into the recycled content of
- 20 these tires.
- 21 I think there are some ways to do that. I'm sure
- 22 Mr. Takallou and others would love to get their California
- 23 crumb into tires. It's a question of getting our crumb
- 24 from California to the manufacturing facilities. But as
- 25 Mr. Blumenthal and I discussed, I think there may be some

- 1 creative ways to do that. And it could be a very
- 2 important partnership that we could develop with the
- 3 industry in utilizing new tires as a market for our crumb
- 4 from California.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 6 Mr. Eaton.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Thank you, Mr. Jones,
- 8 for having this discussion. It's been most informative.
- 9 But I'd also like to ask to either Mr. Leary or Ms.
- 10 Gildart or I guess Ms. Wexler, that the moneys that have
- 11 been handed out over the last year, that's all come from
- 12 the new tire money, hasn't it?
- 13 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 14 Correct.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: So that, Mr. Blumenthal,
- 16 the examples that you used -- and I, you know, beg to
- 17 differ because I was part of the negotiation -- the same
- 18 examples that we waste the money or we are not focused on
- 19 these grants with pyrolysis, I believe was from the old
- 20 tire money, not Martha Escutia's bill. So that money has
- 21 not even been out on the street a year. So when we talk
- 22 about focus, let's talk about the money that you raise the
- 23 argument with when we're negotiating the bill, pre-873.
- 24 You will get no disagreement from me that some of that
- 25 money was misplaced or should not have been put there.

- 1 But any of the subsequent money with 873, this Board and
- 2 at least the members of this Committee at least thus far
- 3 have utilized that money I think pretty well to the fact
- 4 they're trying to be -- scrutinize that it doesn't get
- 5 wasted in a manner not consistent.
- 6 Furthermore -- and what I'm -- you know, and
- 7 appreciate your partnership and I hope you carry through
- 8 it. But not one time was any grant handed out or a grant
- 9 program that any one of your member companies came here to
- 10 tell us that we were not being focused or did the right
- 11 thing or we should have been going here or there.
- 12 So hopefully it's not just words, but you will at
- 13 least be part of the meetings when we hand out these
- 14 grants if we are doing something not -- even though maybe
- 15 well intentioned, not going to produce the right result.
- 16 I'm happy to do that. I'm that open. But I don't want to
- 17 have some of that recycled argument being used on the new
- 18 money. And I think that that's, you know, not who you
- 19 are. And I hope in future that you will, you know, look
- 20 at it from a standpoint that the new money really has to
- 21 be evaluated on what's going out with the new money in the
- 22 programs and the grants that we're handing out. And if it
- 23 is misdirected or misplaced, then you ought to be here to
- 24 help us with it, as your offer went.
- 25 And I think with that, you know, we can try and

- 1 get to the bottom of it. And also I do -- you and I
- 2 probably differ. You know, even though I'm from Chicago,
- 3 I don't necessarily believe in the Chicago school of
- 4 economics. And I know some of the companies you represent
- 5 talk about the laissez faire economic model. But I know
- 6 in their actions they are not fully supportive of laissez
- 7 faire economics when it comes to their own pocket book.
- 8 As such, if we want to develop markets, we have to
- 9 sometimes prime the pump. We are not the World Bank.
- 10 However, when it comes to rubberized asphalt, you
- 11 and your member companies ought to be there with us with
- 12 CalTrans, helping us so we don't have to hand out grant
- 13 money.
- 14 And perhaps one of the things that could be
- 15 suggested here as a first step is to -- with rubberized
- 16 asphalt, does it help fuel efficiency? Do any of you
- 17 gentlemen know that?
- Does it help with friction, to reduce that?
- 19 I mean those are the kinds of things, if you want
- 20 to talk about focus, we should be talking about, instead
- 21 of throwing, you know, darts back and forth. But that's
- 22 really what we're looking at and that's what I hope the
- 23 money would go for.
- 24 Thank you, Mr. Jones.
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Chairman.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thanks, Mr. Eaton.
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- 2 Senator.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Eaton pushed my
- 4 button. So -- I absolutely agree with him, but I --
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: It's taken me how long?
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Correctly, correctly.
- 7 But I mean I did sit through the presentations --
- 8 properly made, and I respect people for their opinions --
- 9 on the market, in effect, dictating what we should do.
- 10 The fact of the matter is -- after having served one term
- 11 on this Board, the fact of the matter is, except in some
- 12 isolated cases, we can't say that it is economically more
- 13 feasible to use recycled product; except in some isolated
- 14 cases, we cannot say that that product is more durable.
- 15 Then why in the world are we here? We're here because
- 16 that product is the result of years of recognizing we have
- 17 a social and communal responsibility to produce it to
- 18 maintain our resources.
- 19 And that is the one thing the market never takes
- 20 into consideration, out of necessity.
- 21 So my parting shot to my colleagues is that
- 22 hopefully, and for those of us that feel this way, to keep
- 23 the faith that we're here because we recognize we have to
- 24 have some command and control. It has nothing to do with
- 25 the market. It has to do with command and control. To

- 1 maintain our social responsibility to protect our
- 2 resources, to protect the health of the public. And
- 3 that's why we engage in recycling and source reduction.
- 4 It has nothing to do with the economics. When it
- 5 does, that's so much the better. And we try to make the
- 6 economics as good as possible. And in some cases, it's
- 7 the best. It has nothing to do with durability, although
- 8 we try to make it the best. And to the extent that we
- 9 could make the product more durable, so much the better.
- 10 It has to do with our social and environmental
- 11 responsibility, which the market does not take into
- 12 consideration.
- 13 And so raising the flag of criticizing the
- 14 Chicago school of economics -- which I totally agree with
- 15 Mr. Eaton on. I think sometimes we have to refresh why
- 16 we're here. And it's not economics, it's not the market,
- 17 and it's not even a durable product, as important as those
- 18 things are. It's conservation. And you need a
- 19 command-and-control board. Otherwise, nobody's going to
- 20 do it.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you, Senator.
- 22 I want to thank the tire manufacturers. I want
- 23 to thank Mr. Blumenthal. I challenged him in -- I don't
- 24 know where the heck we were -- Palm Springs or somewhere,
- 25 and I think again in Arizona, that I wanted the tire

- 1 manufacturers at the table with this Board. Mr. Eaton's
- 2 right -- 876, he was a key player in that negotiation. I
- 3 had a little bit to do with it, as did all the other
- 4 members. And -- but we were trying real hard.
- 5 We've got a major problem in this state, and had
- 6 one. And I think you're right, we do have to do
- 7 follow-ups on a lot of this stuff. I think Mr. Eaton's
- 8 absolutely right with trying to be able to make
- 9 determinations if -- we already know rubberized asphalt is
- 10 a sound enhancer -- noise enhancer, a whole lot of things.
- 11 We've got to start accumulating the data and doing the
- 12 back -- the next steps of our grants to figure out how we
- 13 can walk out and tell this picture the right way. And we
- 14 need the rubber manufacturers at the table with us. And
- 15 we need them here all the time. I don't want this to be
- 16 one time for the -- what was this thing, check the air,
- 17 check the -- I mean whatever the one is that you're going
- 18 to work with the State, don't make this the one time and
- 19 mark us "Done."
- 20 We appreciate this. It invoked a lot of good
- 21 discussion. We have different views on this Board.
- 22 That's probably why we're as productive as we are. I
- 23 appreciate that you took the time to come and talk to us.
- We're going to take a ten-minute break. We're
- 25 going to be back here at 5:30. I want to tell the

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1 members -- or ask the members -- we have some items that
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- 2 we could run through if everybody's back at 5:30, and
- 3 we'll hit them, bing-bang-boom. Have your staff ready
- 4 present. Okay. We're not taking any prisoners.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: As Mr. Paparian walks up to
- 8 the dais, we'll call this back to order.
- 9 Mr. Eaton, any ex partes?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: I just said hello, a
- 11 meet and greet to the various members who testified on the
- 12 previous matter of the rubber manufacturers. That
- 13 included proponents and opponents of the tire-derived
- 14 fuel, as well as promoters and supporters of a different
- 15 viewpoint. Far too many, I think, to list.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Paparian.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Same thing.
- 18 Primarily Mr. Blumenthal and the doctor from San Jose.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. As did I. I spoke to
- 20 both sides of the issue.
- 21 All right. We are on item I.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Item I. This is a
- 23 consideration of the grant awards for the Household
- 24 Hazardous Waste Grant Program.
- 25 And Pat McDermott of the Used-oil Program will

- 1 make the presentation.
- 2 USED-OIL AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT
- 3 PROGRAM MANAGER McDERMOTT: Good afternoon Chairman Jones
- 4 and Committee Members. I'm Pat McDermott, Grant Manager
- 5 of the Used-Oil and Household Hazardous Waste Grant
- 6 Program, and present for your consideration the Household
- 7 Hazardous Waste Grants for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.
- 8 If it's all right with the Committee, I will
- 9 dispense with the background information on the grant
- 10 program and go straight to the information on the
- 11 applications received in the sake of time. Okay?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay.
- 13 USED-OIL AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT
- 14 PROGRAM MANAGER McDERMOTT: Fifty-three applications were
- 15 received requesting over \$9.3 million. Thirty-four
- 16 applications received passing scores, with 15 being
- 17 recommended for the \$3 million in available funds. The
- 18 remaining 19 passing applications requested over \$3.8
- 19 million for which funds are not available.
- 20 Seventy-three percent of the applications
- 21 recommended for funding have an E-waste or U-waste
- 22 component. Eighty-seven percent of the applications
- 23 recommended for award did not receive an HHW grant in the
- 24 last two funding cycles.
- 25 As a point of interest, 79 percent of the

1 applications that received a passing score but for which

- 2 there were no funds available had an E-waste component.
- 3 It's clear from this that local jurisdictions are in great
- 4 need of assistance in dealing with E-waste.
- 5 A list of all the applicants with passing scores
- 6 is included with your packet as Attachment 2.
- 7 Eighteen applications received a score of less
- 8 than 77 points, which put them below passing; and one
- 9 application was withdrawn. The majority of the
- 10 non-passing applications ranked in the fair-to-poor range
- 11 for two or more of the scoring criteria for either
- 12 evidence of a recycled content purchasing policy,
- 13 completeness or need.
- 14 Following the Board meeting on August 20 and 21
- 15 staff will be working directly with applicants that did
- 16 not receive a passing score and who have indicated an
- 17 interest in improving future grant applications.
- 18 Several of the Board's grant programs have
- 19 enacted a geographic distribution provision for their
- 20 grants, awarding approximately 61 percent of available
- 21 funding to projects submitted by southern California
- 22 applicants and 39 percent to projects submitted by
- 23 northern California applicants. However, criteria
- 24 approved by the Board in January did not require a
- 25 geographic split for this grant cycle. Nevertheless 59

1 percent of the funds being recommended for award today are

- 2 for southern California applications and 41 percent are
- 3 for northern California applications.
- 4 At the November 13 and 14, 2001, Board meeting,
- 5 the Board approved a process for handling applications
- 6 with tied scores that exceed the available funds. This
- 7 process is to bring the ties to the Board to make the
- 8 determination which application, if any, shall receive an
- 9 award or portion of an award. We have just such a tie for
- 10 the Committee's consideration.
- 11 San Joaquin County and Amador County have tied
- 12 scores. Together the two applications are asking for
- 13 \$449,310 in grant funding. There is \$260,932.12 remaining
- 14 to be distributed.
- 15 San Joaquin county requested \$300,000 for a
- 16 regional application, representing seven cities in the
- 17 unincorporated county area. They are requesting funds to
- 18 conduct seven collection events throughout the county of
- 19 CRT's and U-waste and to conduct a public education
- 20 campaign.
- 21 Amador County requested \$149,310 to improve and
- 22 expand its permanent HHW facility to include the
- 23 collection of E-waste and U-waste and to conduct a public
- 24 education campaign.
- 25 Staff is recommending that the remaining funds of

- 1 \$260,932.12 be split equally and each applicant receive
- 2 \$130466.06. This will allow San Joaquin County to conduct
- 3 the seven collection events and Amador County to expand
- 4 their facility to receive E-waste and U-waste.
- 5 I'd like to recommend approval of Resolution
- 6 2002-417 and the award of 15 grants totaling \$3 million.
- 7 However, we need the Committee's determination as to how
- 8 you would like to settle the tied scores. The resolution
- 9 currently lists the two applicants as receiving half of
- 10 the funds remaining.
- 11 At this point I'll be glad to answer any
- 12 questions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Any questions? Because we do
- 14 have one speaker.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Have we in the past -- I
- 16 can't recall -- had any money returned to us as unable to
- 17 be spent or not being spent?
- 18 USED-OIL AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE GRANT
- 19 PROGRAM MANAGER McDERMOTT: On the HHW grants
- 20 specifically?
- 21 I don't know for a fact. I believe we may have.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: We have at
- 23 different times, Mr. Eaton, depending on if they were
- 24 unable to expend it all end of the time, this money goes
- 25 away in three years. So occasionally they don't expend

- 1 all the funds.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Correct.
- 3 And the reason why I asked is because if for some
- 4 reason we were going to reallocate some of this money to
- 5 those two jurisdictions that have tied to make up -- that
- 6 they should have first crack at any reallocation monies if
- 7 we split it. That's all I was trying to get at, that --
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: The problem with
- 9 reallocation money is if they have the full three years to
- 10 spend it, then that --
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: That's what I thought.
- 12 It's not the year cycle. So that's the problem in stuff
- 13 like that.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We have one speaker.
- 15 Shirley Johnson-Wright from Lassen Regional Solid
- 16 Waste Authority.
- 17 MS. JOHNSON-WRIGHT: Thank you. I'll be very
- 18 brief.
- 19 I've been here too with you. But it was
- 20 knowledgeable for me to be here, and I might be coming to
- 21 some of them.
- 22 I am Shirley Johnson-Wright from Lassen Regional
- 23 Solid Waste Management Authority. And I'm the program
- 24 coordinator. And I would just like to ask you to -- in
- 25 these household hazardous waste grants, to give us grants

- 1 for the rural isolated counties; for instance, Plumas,
- 2 Lassen, Sierra, Modoc, on the right side of the Sierra
- 3 Mountains. There are no facilities whatsoever. In the
- 4 winter we can't get to anything. So what we're just
- 5 asking that you give us some grants to let us -- in fact,
- 6 we're talking now about setting up a permanent facility in
- 7 Lassen County for those four counties. But we just need a
- 8 little extra I'm not asking for any favors. I'm just
- 9 saying that we really need them up there. And with the
- 10 closure of all of our sites, at some of them a million a
- 11 year, we're really in need of household hazardous waste
- 12 money.
- 13 And we're just asking for more consideration. We
- 14 have over 4,000 square miles in our county; 37,000 people,
- 15 17,000 of that is in the city of Susanville, 7,000 in the
- 16 prisons, and then the other 10,000 are throughout Lassen
- 17 County, which takes three and a half hours to get to the
- 18 other end of the county. So we are a rural isolated
- 19 county. And we're just asking for that.
- 20 We thank you for any past grants. We have gotten
- 21 quite a few and we're really glad about that. And we're
- 22 glad that your personnel have been very cooperative. And
- 23 in fact I'm going to be down here right after -- the day
- 24 after your next meeting to see how I can improve. Because
- 25 obviously we can't afford a grant writer. So the program

1 coordinator is the manager, the kick-butt person. I was a

- 2 drill sergeant in the army, so I'm pretty good at that
- 3 kicking butt.
- 4 Okay. Thank you very much.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 6 Mr. Paparian.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll move adoption of
- 8 Resolution 2002-417.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: And would that be with
- 10 splitting the funding to the last two applicants equally?
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: That's correct and
- 12 that's what's in the resolution.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Perfect.
- Okay. That's what you needed?
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Second.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We've got a motion by Mr.
- 17 Paparian, a second by Mr. Eaton.
- 18 Could you call the role.
- 19 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Eaton?
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 21 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Paparian?
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 23 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Roberti?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Jones?

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Aye.
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- 2 Fiscal consent?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Or consensus?
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 Senator Roberti, any ex partes?
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: No ex partes.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 9 All right. Next item.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Item J is the
- 11 consideration of the contractor for the comprehensive
- 12 assessment of the Used Oil/Household Hazardous Waste
- 13 Program.
- 14 And Kristin Yee will be making this presentation.
- MS. YEE: This will be really quick.
- 16 Good afternoon, Chairperson Jones and Committee
- 17 Members of the Special Waste and Waste Prevention Market
- 18 Development Committee.
- 19 I'm here to present, as Shirley said, the agenda
- 20 item for consideration of contractor for the comprehensive
- 21 assessment of the Used Oil/Household Hazardous Waste
- 22 Program Contract, Concept 0-06.
- 23 The goal of this contract is to provide a
- 24 comprehensive overview and assessment of the program's
- 25 accomplishments and impacts. The result will streamline,

1 hopefully, the oil grant administrative process, provide

- 2 future options that could be implemented to increase our
- 3 used-oil recycling rate, and also to help us in developing
- 4 our five-year plan.
- 5 The scope of work that you have attached to your
- 6 agenda item, basically outlines all the work that's going
- 7 to be performed by the contractor.
- 8 And since I've presented the scope of work, we've
- 9 contacted over 30 different parties within the state
- 10 system to see who was interested in performing this
- 11 comprehensive assessment. Three expressed interest in the
- 12 study. And we interviewed all three of the different
- 13 parties, and we selected California Polytech State
- 14 University, Cal Poly. They were selected because they
- 15 created a really strong team and performed this
- 16 assessment. And also they have experience in assessing
- 17 programs as well as technical knowledge.
- So this contract a for a total \$200,000.
- 19 And we would ask and recommend that the Committee
- 20 takes the selected contractor, Cal Poly, to the Board
- 21 meeting on August 20th-21st and approve Resolution
- 22 2002-416.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Chairman, if
- 24 there's no questions, I'll move Resolution 2002-416.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Which Cal Poly?

- 1 MS. YEE: Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay.
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: All right. With the
- 4 addition of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in the blank.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you, Mr. Eaton.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Well, you know, could
- 7 have gone to, you know -- who knows, could have gone to
- 8 Palmer Institute.
- 9 I'll second it.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. We have a motion
- 11 by Mr. Paparian, a second by Mr. Eaton.
- 12 Substitute the previous roll?
- On fiscal consent -- or consensus?
- 14 Okay. So ordered.
- Thank you.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Item K is
- 17 consideration of a modified evaluation process and a
- 18 priority categories for the Waste Tire Clean-up Grant
- 19 Program. This item did come to you from before. And --
- 20 recommends this.
- 21 Diane Nordstrom will make the presentation.
- 22 MS. NORDSTROM: Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and
- 23 Members of the Committee.
- 24 I'm Diane Nordstrom from the Special Waste
- 25 Division. And the item before you is the consideration of

- 1 the modified evaluation process and priority ranking
- 2 criteria for the Local Government Waste Tire Clean-up
- 3 Grant program for Fiscal Years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004.
- 4 The Local Government Waste Tire Clean-up Grant
- 5 program provides grant funding to local jurisdictions to
- 6 clean up illegally dumped tires. This will be the 6th
- 7 year that the Board has provided funding for this program.
- 8 And the Board has allocated one million dollars for this
- 9 fiscal year.
- 10 Even though the amount of the grant awards has
- 11 increased in last year, the grant program funds remain
- 12 underutilized.
- To increase participation in the grant program
- 14 Board staff is recommending that the application and
- 15 evaluation process be modified by eliminating the scoring
- 16 criteria used by other grant programs at the Board.
- 17 Instead, grant applications will be evaluated and ranked
- 18 based on the environmental threat of an applicant's tire
- 19 clean-up project.
- 20 Staff proposed changes in the evaluation process
- 21 are as follows:
- 22 A review panel comprised of three program staff
- 23 will review each application to determine applicant
- 24 eligibility and rank each project or site using the
- 25 priority ranking criteria which is shown in Attachment 1.

1 The ranking criteria comprises of three different

- 2 ranks based on the environmental threat of a site.
- 3 Sites that are considered a serious threat due to
- 4 their proximity to populated or environmentally sensitive
- 5 areas or consist of 25,000 tires or more will receive Rank
- 6 1 and will be rewarded first.
- 7 Sites that are considered a moderate threat or
- 8 consist of more than 1,000 tires will receive a Rank 2 and
- 9 will be awarded next.
- 10 Sites that are considered a potential threat or
- 11 consist of less than 1,000 tires will receive a Rank 3 and
- 12 be the last to be awarded.
- 13 If an applicant has more than one site that is
- 14 included in the application, then each site will be ranked
- 15 individually. If more eligible applications are received
- 16 and funds are available, then Board staff may recommend
- 17 funding the higher priority sites; or for multiple site
- 18 applications, partial funding of an applicant request will
- 19 be recommended.
- In addition, if several sites are ranked in the
- 21 lowest priority, then the site with the most tires will be
- 22 recommended for funding first.
- 23 Approval of this item would also direct staff to
- 24 prepare a notice of funding availability and mail it to
- 25 interested local governments.

1 Staff recommends the Committee adopt Resolution

- 2 2002-425 and place this item on consent.
- 3 This concludes my presentation.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Eaton.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: My understanding is that
- 6 in addition to changing criteria, that we're also going to
- 7 change who can apply and not apply -- that regional area
- 8 can apply; that is correct?
- 9 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 10 That's included --
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Where is that in here?
- 12 MS. NORDSTROM: That's already been done. We've
- 13 been allowing regional jurisdictions to --
- 14 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 15 It says cities or counties may submit a regional
- 16 application with authorization from other cities and/or
- 17 counties. The regional lead jurisdiction must be
- 18 designated for regional programs to act on behalf of all
- 19 participating jurisdictions. That's in the analysis
- 20 section there on Page 19-2.
- 21 MS. NORDSTROM: That's currently being done. And
- 22 it's just a clarification.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. And the site
- 24 description kind of mirrors 2136 by threat. But --
- 25 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:

1 And it's also in the tire program regulations.

- 2 So we have precedent for that description.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. And then we're going
- 4 to reevaluate this think in a year just to see how we're
- 5 doing, if we're getting participation, things like that?
- 6 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 7 If you wish we could bring back a report on the
- 8 results. We were asking for approval of funding on two
- 9 years to try and speed up the process. But we'd be more
- 10 than happy to come back with a report on what kind of
- 11 participation we got, and then a decision could be made.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay.
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Yeah, one year. Because
- 14 if it just doesn't work, then we're going to have to go
- 15 back and do something else.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We'll have to change it,
- 17 yeah.
- 18 So it could be 2002-3 and not 2002-3, 3-4, if we
- 19 went from --
- 20 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 21 If that is the Committee's wish.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: -- so we'd have time?
- Okay.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. I'll move adoption of
- 25 Resolution 2002-425, consideration of a modified

1 evaluation process and priority ranking criteria nor Local

- 2 Government Waste Tire Clean-up Programs for Fiscal Year
- 3 2002-2003. And we will reevaluate it at the end of that
- 4 year.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Substitute the previous roll.
- 7 So ordered.
- 8 Fiscal consensus?
- 9 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: The Executive Director is
- 10 saying -- I think he was going to add that it's not fiscal
- 11 consent.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Or consensus.
- 13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: It is a fiscal item.
- 14 I'm sorry. It is a grant item. I'm sorry.
- 15 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART.
- 16 It's not an award.
- 17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: It's not an award, but
- 18 it is --
- 19 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. So I'm saying a
- 20 million dollars, split the million two.
- 21 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: What I was going to add is
- 22 that you might consider whether this is appropriate for
- 23 consent, since you have changed the staff recommendation;
- 24 which I think's a good change and I don't have a problem
- 25 with it, but just --

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: -- not consent.
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- 2 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Okay. We're just
- 3 trying --
- 4 CHAIRPERSON JONES: So you want to just hear the
- 5 whole item --
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Committee consensus.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: -- whatever you want.
- 8 Committee consensus, and you can bring forward --
- 9 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Committee Consensus would
- 10 be good, but not on the consent calendar.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Right, right. Yeah, none of
- 12 these two. All the fiscal consensus need a little
- 13 quick (sound) -- right? Right.
- Okay. Mr. Paparian has to leave.

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- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Could the court reporter
- 17 read back that (sound). I don't quite get what that --
- 18 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Paparian has to leave.
- I have a question.
- 20 On Item Number 20 -- on Item Number L, 30.
- Okay. Mr. Dier, go ahead.
- 22 Mr. Paparian I think has to leave, but --
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: My apologies. I've
- 24 got a child care issue.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: But you don't have any

1 problem -- we're not going to vote for you, but you don't

- 2 have any issues with these things?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: The last two items
- 4 I'm fine with.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Cool. Thank you.
- So, if we have a 3-0 we're going to put it on
- 7 consensus.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you.
- 10 Go ahead, Mr. Dier.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Go right ahead.
- 12 MR. DIER: Mr. Chairman, Don Dier with the
- 13 Special Waste Division.
- 14 Waste Tire Enforcement grants are one of the key
- 15 aspects of the Board's enforcement program, one of four
- 16 major aspects:
- 17 The first being -- the primary being the Board's
- 18 own enforcement and permitting program.
- 19 The second being the California Highway Patrol
- 20 contract and work that we're doing.
- 21 And the third being the California District
- 22 Attorneys' Association.
- 23 Waste Tire Enforcement grants are intended to
- 24 fund local agencies, cities and counties, special
- 25 districts to provide additional eyes and ears for us at

1 the local level to conduct inspection and the first level

- 2 of enforcement actions. They have traditionally
- 3 historically been under-subscribed.
- 4 We are recommending in this item that we change
- 5 to a noncompetitive streamlined process. This is
- 6 specifically provided for in SB 876, and is reinforced in
- 7 the Board's five-year plan.
- 8 We are asking the Committee and the Board to
- 9 approve this switch. It would entail a transition from a
- 10 two-year grant period to a 12-month grant period. This
- 11 initial cycle would be little a over 12 months. But then
- 12 beginning in next fiscal year we would go to a 12-month
- 13 grant. It would provide a stable source of funds.
- 14 Staff is recommending that after this initial
- 15 notice of funds available, for this cycle, those who are
- 16 successful and are funded could return each year without
- 17 making applications, but merely indicating an interest to
- 18 continue funding. Staff would be reviewing quarterly and
- 19 annual reports and making a recommendation to the Board
- 20 whether to continue the funding. That would be coming to
- 21 the Board in the spring of each year.
- 22 This is responding to feedback that we've gotten
- 23 from grant recipients and those who have chose not to
- 24 apply because they found the process cumbersome and
- 25 because they didn't view that there was a stable source of

- 1 funding because they would have to make competitive
- 2 application every year. So we're addressing both what was
- 3 envisioned in statute in the plan and also the feedback
- 4 from the grantees themselves.
- 5 There's much more detail in the agenda item, but
- 6 I think that is the essence of the staff recommendation,
- 7 is to go with the noncompetitive streamlined process. We
- 8 would ask your support For Resolution 2002-457.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Mr. Eaton.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Now, how would this come
- 11 back to the Board? Is there going to be an agenda item by
- 12 which we would then take a look and you would submit --
- 13 it's not just going to be an Executive Director report
- 14 that, you know, these guys have applied again. I know
- 15 you're going to review the jurisdictions. But is it going
- 16 to come back before the Board?
- MR. DIER: Yes. This initial --
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: It will be an agenda
- 19 item?
- 20 MR. DIER: This initial cycle will be a regular
- 21 NOFA --
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Right. But when they
- 23 come back and they apply again saying that "we want to
- 24 continue this" --
- MR. DIER: As we structured it, they would not

- 1 apply. They would indicate that they would like to
- 2 continue. We would evaluate their performance. And then
- 3 bring the item to the Board as an action to continue that
- 4 funding.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. And then the only
- 6 other item as you and I discussed when you briefed us --
- 7 and I appreciate it -- was how are we going to coordinate
- 8 this with regard to the CDAA, the California District
- 9 Attorneys' Association, monies? Because in some cases
- 10 when they file an enforcement action and clean-up, that's
- 11 what this should go for. And I would hope that we could
- 12 have either Legal Department, which is going to work with
- 13 CDAA to somehow get that because -- like what was it,
- 14 Vince's or Chuck's in Ventura last month or something,
- 15 that we had that situation where who pays and whatever.
- 16 This would be a perfect way where we could utilize some of
- 17 these funds or encourage with the D.A.'s to have them
- 18 work -- you know, to get the clean-up monies. Because
- 19 they say, "Okay, why are we going to enforce it? We have
- 20 no money to clean it up if the guy doesn't want to clean
- 21 it up." This would be a perfect opportunity for that
- 22 jurisdiction to go and apply or seek those funds.
- 23 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Well, we have quarterly
- 24 reports that will come in from CDAA. So I think, you
- 25 know, the way we're trying to organize this, we have at

1 minimum a monthly meeting with Legal and the tire program

- 2 where we're basically going overall all these sites and
- 3 we're looking at, you know, everything from not only the
- 4 initial visits that the inspectors are making, but right
- 5 through to all the enforcement. So I think actually what
- 6 this will do is all fit together and make for a pretty
- 7 tight enforcement program. We'll be figuring out where
- 8 the appropriate action is, you know, should it be
- 9 something taken by a county, should it be something done
- 10 by CDAA, or should it be something done by --
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: And there's a training
- 12 component to this, if I'm not mistaken, as well.
- MR. DIER: There will be a training component,
- 14 yes, because -- what I failed to mention was that this
- 15 funding is up to \$4 million this year under the five-year
- 16 plan, from \$2 million last year. And next year and each
- 17 year thereafter under the current plan it's \$6 million.
- 18 That's a significant amount of resources that are going to
- 19 be deployed at the local level. So there's going to be a
- 20 lot of training required to make sure that they are
- 21 adequately prepared to carry out those duties.
- 22 But I'm fully committed to getting that \$4
- 23 million subscribed despite the past undersubscription. We
- 24 have initiated a very aggressive marketing campaign to
- 25 reach out to those communities and cities and counties

1 that we know either have tire problems or a lot of tire

- 2 generation. Because you didn't get the presentation on
- 3 the manifest system today, but a good deal of this effort
- 4 will be involved in enforcing those new manifest
- 5 requirements also.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON JONES: You're kind of managing the
- 7 contract with CDAA too, right? I mean you have some
- 8 oversight?
- 9 MR. DIER: Well, I'm involved. It's actually
- 10 managed out of our Legal Office.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: So you can make sure that
- 12 this is getting coordinated, like Mr. Eaton said?
- 13 MR. DIER: Yes.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON JONES: And I want to thank Mr. Eaton
- 15 for bringing these issues forward at the last meeting and
- 16 staff for listening to the Committee and really I think
- 17 producing a document that's going to give us a lot tools,
- 18 which were envisioned when we did AB 876.
- 19 So congratulations to all you guys.
- 20 And with that I'm going to look to Mr. Eaton.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: I'm going to adopt
- 22 Resolution 2002-457, which is not the weapon of choice.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. And Senator?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Second.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. We got a motion by Mr.

- 1 Eaton, a second by Mr. Senator Roberti.
- 2 Call the roll, please.
- 3 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Eaton?
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Roberti?
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY BAKULICH: Jones?
- 8 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Aye.
- 9 Okay. Fiscal consensus:
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Well, this isn't
- 11 actually a fiscal item, so it could just be 3-0 consent,
- 12 to go to the consent agenda.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Okay, Senator?
- 14 All right. Put it on consent, 3-0.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: Okay. And Item M
- 16 will be presented by Albert Johnson, rather than
- 17 repeating.
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: Good afternoon, Chairman Jones and
- 19 Members of the Committee.
- 20 Today I have for your consideration a scope of
- 21 work for Environmental and Engineering Services Contract
- 22 for the Tracy tire fire site.
- 23 Historically there's seven million tires stored
- 24 at the Royster illegal waste tire facility. The Board had
- 25 pursued legal action for several years against Mr.

1 Royster. August 1998 the tires caught fire, burned for a

- 2 period of over two years until December 2000, when the
- 3 Board put the fire out.
- 4 Previous Board actions include, in January of
- 5 2002 the Board approved a scope of work for a remediation
- 6 contractor to clean up the site. The second contract for
- 7 the Tracy tire fire site would provide the engineering
- 8 services and the two contractors could work in conjunction
- 9 together on the project.
- 10 We do not anticipate any other State agencies
- 11 have the ability to do this work. However, we will check
- 12 with them and make sure that they can't before we put the
- 13 RFQ out on the street.
- 14 There are several reasons why we think this is a
- 15 good idea. First of all, it should save the State money
- 16 because we won't have to pay markup to the remediation
- 17 contractor for these services that will be provided. The
- 18 contractor will work directly for us.
- 19 At the Westley site we learned that reports that
- 20 are required for us in DTSC can run in excess of half a
- 21 million dollars. So a five-percent markup on half a
- 22 million dollars is a significant amount of money.
- 23 Additionally, we know at this time that based on
- 24 the preliminary work that's been done in the site geology
- 25 and the amount of time that the fire burned, that there's

- 1 the potential for some real significant environmental
- 2 problems, especially groundwater contamination. This
- 3 contractor will quantify the levels of contamination
- 4 overall in the groundwater and the soil and determine its
- 5 extent.
- 6 Additionally, this contractor will also identify
- 7 long-term remediation options, such as if there is a
- 8 significant groundwater problem that will require hospital
- 9 treatment in the future, the options to do with that
- 10 problem would be identified by this contractor. However,
- 11 this contract will not include implementation of any type
- 12 of remediation. The Board staff would come back to the
- 13 Board with the options available and details on the cost
- 14 and the amount of time it may take to remedy like a
- 15 groundwater problem. And the Board will have the
- 16 opportunity to vote on that or decide what they would like
- 17 to do at that time.
- 18 That pretty much concludes my presentation on
- 19 this scope of work.
- 20 Board staff recommend that this item be placed on
- 21 the consent calendar. It's Resolution 2002-426.
- Be happy to answer any questions.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Questions?
- I have one.
- MR. JOHNSON: Sure.

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1 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Albert, on the plans and
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- 2 reports, we show our first saying as design, grading -- is
- 3 this existing or is that final? Because later down you
- 4 have "prepare as-built drawings." So, I'm
- 5 wondering if --
- 6 MR. JOHNSON: Well, I think the site plans --
- 7 that would be a plan up front on how to deal with, you
- 8 know, grading the site. I mean usually on all these
- 9 projects, when we're done they'll have an as-built plan
- 10 that will show the final configurations.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. So you're going
- 12 to look at what you're hoping to end up with as final
- 13 grade, stuff like that, and then based on how much
- 14 remediation, how much removal of material that's hazardous
- 15 or whatever would determine what that fill pattern would
- 16 be? I mean we're not going to bring stuff in to this
- 17 site --
- 18 MR. JOHNSON: I don't think so, no. We're
- 19 dealing with a hole anyway. If it gets a little deeper,
- 20 you know, I don't think that's that big of a deal.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. That's cool.
- I just got a little nervous when I saw that in
- 23 that category -- in that lineup, because I thought that
- 24 could be scary.
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Chairman, I move

- 1 Resolution 2002-426.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Thank you, Senator.
- 3 And I will second it.
- 4 Substitute the previous roll?
- 5 And put it on consent?
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WILLD-WAGNER: And our final item
- 8 for the day, Item N, will be presented by Stacey
- 9 Patenaude. It's another scope of work.
- MS. PATENAUDE: Good evening --
- 11 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Yes, it is.
- 12 MS. PATENAUDE: -- Chairman Jones and Members of
- 13 the Board. My name is Stacey Patenaude. I work in the
- 14 Special Waste Division in the Tire Remediation Section
- 15 here at the Board.
- 16 This item is the consideration of a scope of work
- 17 for the oversight of the civil engineering applications
- 18 using Waste Tires/Incentives Contract.
- 19 This item proposes that the Integrated Waste
- 20 Management Board approve a scope of work for the oversight
- 21 of civil engineering applications using Waste Tires and
- 22 Incentives Contract for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.
- 23 Under this contract Board staff will direct the
- 24 contractor to continue to supply construction oversight,
- 25 engineering support and, if necessary, tire shreds for

1 lightweight fills -- lightweight fill and civil

- 2 engineering project.
- 3 This contract is vital to the implementation and
- 4 continuing success of the civil engineering application
- 5 projects using waste tires.
- 6 Previous board action was the civil -- was the
- 7 oversight and civil engineering applications contract was
- 8 awarded in fiscal 2000. And that contract expired May of
- 9 this year.
- I had a brief presentation with pictures, but I
- 11 think we'll get by -- do without that one today.
- 12 Board staff is requesting that this contract be
- 13 funded for \$500,000. And staff would like to recommend
- 14 that the Committee approve this Resolution 2002-148 and
- 15 the proposed scope of work for the oversight of civil
- 16 engineering applications using Waste Tires and Incentive
- 17 Contract and place this item on consent.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. Stacey, you meant to
- 19 say 2002-418?
- 20 MS. PATENAUDE: 2001 -- oh, yes.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON JONES: 418, not 408.
- 22 Anyway, just for the record, 418.
- MS. PATENAUDE: Yes. Okay.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Any questions of members?
- 25 I just want to say something real quick. I don't

1 Dana Humphrey's going to bid on this thing or not. But

- 2 the work that you did and that Dana Humphrey and the rest
- 3 of the tire people did, for the last three years anyway,
- 4 or four years, has been incredible. I mean we have gone
- 5 in leaps and bounds on our civil engineering, thanks to
- 6 those efforts. So I don't know if he's going to bid it,
- 7 but I sure hope we get somebody as good. And I'm not sure
- 8 that anybody as good really exists. But --
- 9 MS. PATENAUDE: This will actually be more of a
- 10 construction. They will be our -- you know, everyday
- 11 person in the field.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All the construction stuff?
- 13 MS. PATENAUDE: Yes. They'll work hand with
- 14 myself and Dr. Humphrey.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON JONES: All right. Well, the
- 16 compliments still hold.
- 17 All right. Mr. Eaton, question?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No. I'm just kind of
- 19 interested in the analysis. I want to point out that
- 20 they -- now, we are told that there's only nine million
- 21 tires are not recycled each year. So --
- 22 CHAIRPERSON JONES: It changes.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It changes by item or by
- 24 presentation? I mean, which is it? This is 70 percent --
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: That was RMA that made that

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1 presentation.
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- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: Right. But they said
- 3 they based it on our staff's statistics. I just want to
- 4 kind of get to the bottom of it. I noticed that. We can
- 5 move this item. But I just wanted to know, you know --
- 6 it's a moving target.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON JONES: As it has been for as long as
- 8 I've been here. It always kind of scared me when we were
- 9 doing the legislation, one day it was 30, the next day it
- 10 was 22, and the next day it was 14.
- If we'd have stayed the whole week, we wouldn't
- 12 have ever had a tire.
- 13 All right. Who's making this motion?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER EATON: You are.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON JONES: I am.
- I'll move Resolution 2002-418.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Second.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON JONES: We got a motion by Jones, a
- 19 second by Roberti.
- 20 Substitute the previous roll?
- 21 So ordered.
- 22 On consent?
- 23 And so ordered.
- 24 All right. Thank you.
- Now, we do have a notice in here for one public

- 1 comment.
- 2 And we welcome you up to the dais, Dr. Mike --
- 3 uh-huh.
- DR. MNATSAKANYAN: -- Mnatsakanyan.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Uh-huh, it's easy for you to
- 6 say.
- 7 I am going to ask you to make it a bit brief. I
- 8 know you've been here all day. But try to hit the points.
- 9 DR. MNATSAKANYAN: I want to thank you, Mr.
- 10 Chairman and Members of the Board.
- 11 Basically we were -- it was our first time come
- 12 coming out here to meet the Integrated Wasted Management
- 13 Board. I am with United Recycling Technology. And we are
- 14 in the process of implementing new revolutionary recycling
- 15 technology that allows us to convert waste tire -- rubber
- 16 waste into diesel fuel.
- 17 This technology is existent. This is a patented
- 18 technology by American manufacturer that has been
- 19 implemented in Taiwan. There is a facility over there
- 20 that processes 10,000 a day. And in that brief report you
- 21 will find all the chemicals analysis and also the
- 22 environmental emissions in a report and also all the
- 23 studies that have been conducted by United Recycling
- 24 Technology and the manufacturer.
- 25 Furthermore, we've done financial analysis. And

- 1 you will find over there the insert at the end that will
- 2 show you briefly what is the breakdown of the product that
- 3 are being derived from single tire. We have conducted
- 4 tests from an average single tire that weighs 20 pounds.
- 5 We are able to recycle exactly 100 percent. The
- 6 percentage goes 37.5 percent we receive light liquid
- 7 equivalent to Diesel Number 1; 12.5 percent we receive
- 8 heavy liquid which is equivalent to Heating Oil Number 4;
- 9 8 percent is gaseous fuel, which is retained in
- 10 gasification process system; 34 percent is carbon black,
- 11 which is used in inks, tires, and other materials; also
- 12 2.6 percent zinc oxide; and recycled metal, 5 percent.
- 13 100 percent of recycling.
- 14 And also we have included on one of the columns
- 15 the prices of the wholesale values of the products that
- 16 can be sold at the market. And we came up with \$6.87 per
- 17 tire that we're throwing away every time each tire goes to
- 18 landfill.
- 19 And if we are half as good as we say, we at least
- 20 make \$3.40.
- 21 Basically we want to ask the Board to include us
- 22 for your next September 4th Board meeting, to allow us to
- 23 make a 10-15 minute presentation of this technology to the
- 24 Board and to the State.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Okay. I can't speak for what

- 1 the Board's going to do. We will probably in the future
- 2 have some conversion technology workshops where we could
- 3 give you as well as other proponents of different
- 4 technologies maybe the opportunity to come forward as a
- 5 group and each take some time. But I think if we start
- 6 letting each technology or each product line make a
- 7 presentation to this Board, we will end up with chaos
- 8 because we're not going to be able to endorse any of them.
- 9 But the information's valuable. And maybe
- 10 somewhere down the line a little bit, because we are very
- 11 involved in conversion technology. We've got some
- 12 legislation, that after this session, depending upon how
- 13 that legislation comes through, we're going to be needing
- 14 to test some of this conversion technology. And it will
- 15 probably be at a time like that that our Chairwoman would
- 16 want to have some kind of a workshop on conversion
- 17 technology or whatever. And I'm sure you'll be on the
- 18 mailing list and invited to speak.
- 19 But I think as far as coming back to this
- 20 Committee just to talk about United Recycling probably is
- 21 not completely appropriate. But that's why we let you
- 22 talk today.
- DR. MNATSAKANYAN: All right. Thank you very
- 24 much.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON JONES: Members, thank you for your

1	patience.	
2		I think we did a lot of good work today. I'll
3	tell you,	the Milken issue and the tire issues were good.
4		I see a chair in the back. The air conditioning
5	is out.	We're leaving.
6		I do want to thank everybody, thank staff Good
7	job.	
8		We're done.
9		(Thereupon the California Integrated Waste
10		Management Board, Special Waste and Market
11		Development Committee adjourned at 6:10
12		p.m.)
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